For the Proprietor of HONOKONG TELEGRAPH,

Im Action



Remarking "I'm sure I shall get into awful trouble over this," Lady Astor went right ahead and auctioned a bottle of whisky for the benefit of a Christmas fund during a party at 10 Downing Street, London. Lady Astor is known as one of the world's leading teetotallers.-AP Picture.

#### Meat Situation Is "Very Gloomy"

London, Dec. 13.—Britain's meat situation is "very gloomy," Dr Edith Summerskill, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, told Parliament today.

"The situation in 1949 is uncertain because of the position with the Argentine and I am afraid I cannot thold out much hope that it will be much better than in 1947," she

The amount of meat available for 1948 had been considerably less than for 1947. Moreover, substantial inroads has had to be made into stocks of canned corned beef this year, she said .- Reuter.

THERE is every appearance

Tangku) is about to come

under the domination of the

Communists. One authority for

of the foreign press corps in

China and one of the best,

halanced and most informed

correspondents in the interior,

Moosa says that the general

conviction in Pelping is that

General Fu Tso-yl is preparing

with the Reds. and the fact

Tongshan' coal mining area

without firing a shot (despite

earlier military preparations

defence) lends authentic colour

to this belief. Possibly Tong-

shan was, militaristically speak-

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come to a compromise

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**EDITORIAL** 

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Peiping At Mercy Of

## Communists

# BLOODLESSLY

Peiping, Dec. 14.—Events are moving fast in North China. Unless all the signs are false, Peiping is approaching its last days under the Nationalist regime.

During its more than 3,000 years of history it has changed hands many times. And the shadow of the new conqueror is now ominously close.

Here briefly is Peiping's position: firstly, the Reds form a semicircle around it from the Southwest to the East at distances from seven to 15 miles; secondly, General Fu Tso-yi's escape route—the Peiping-Kalgan railroad—is completely scaled with the Reds in possession of most of the line; thirdly, Peiping's two airfields, the West and South Fields, both are in danger of being overrun by the Communist ground forces and, fourthly, the Reds could at almost any moment now cut the Peiping-Tientsin railroad and thus completely isolate Peiping by land.

General Fu's military strategy there is no evidence to substantiate has been so puzzling that the populace as a whole, not to mention those who claim to know what is going on behind the scenes, have only one explanation—political motives underlie it.

This would account for the general calm of the populace, although the sound of occasional gunfire can now be heard through-

#### SUAVE PREDICTIONS-And it accounts too, for the suave predictions that Peiping will change hands without bloodshed. When this change will occur

a mystery. 🧀 🔭 If only 'military', factors' are involved, it could be a matter of days. But if political factors are involved, the changeover could well delayed until January or February. Meanwhile, though, the Nationalthe motions of readiness to fight.i

are being drilled with every semgates hundreds of civilians have been mobilised to fill sandbags.

Rumours fly thick and fast. The latest is that Tunghslen, 12 miles to the east, has been abandoned but

backing to the conviction that

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MANY RUMOURS

Another is that there is fighting near the Summer Palage on the Western outskirts of Peiping, famed for the marble boat which the Downger Empress Tsu Hsl built with funds for the creation of a

But this too, cannot be confirmed. Meanwhile, Peiping waits and wonders, not with dismay or panic, but more like a bride awaiting

#### CUNFIRE HEARD

Tientsin, Dec. 14.—Gunfire was heard in some parts of Peiping last night as Nationalist troops and refugees poured into the ancient capi-

The hostilities north and west of Peiping shifted ever closer and a curfew has been imposed beginning at 8 p.m. local time.

Machineguns have been mounted on sulting in the almost total abandon-

the south field which is not

Considerable excitement reigns in-Felping generally with troops pouring in and uncertainty about General Fu Tso-yi's intentions or whereabouts owing to the tight-lipped

LST for Shanghal on Wednesday .--

#### | Reuter. YANGTSE DANGER

based their forecast on . Communist infiltration to within 50 miles of Nanking and steady destruction of government forces in a Communis

might soon be wiped out entirely. critically short of food and ammu-

Pilots dropping supplies are steadily heavier Communist anti-

#### CRITICAL PLIGHT

Nanking, Dec. 13.-Encircled Na-

London Startled By Hoffman's Aid To

China Statement London, Dec. 13 .-- Mr Paul G. Hoffman's statement in Shanghai today that China would still get

American aid if the country came under a Coalition, presumably including the Communists, is seen here as a most significant public statement of United States policy since the beginning of major Communist gains in

British, and American observers agree that Mr Hoffman would scarcely have given such an assurance however conditional upon the exercise of essential freedoms under a Coalition Government unless the official American policy is prepared to acknowledge such condition.

It may consequently be deduced | the principle of a new Administrathat both in Nanking and Washing- tion by coming to terms with the charged that he had made "imton, where Madame Chiang Kai- Communists while there is time. and outside the city walls, conscripts ment of the west airfield after com- shek is now on a special mission for America would not be prepared to ment have advised China to admit

## Fighting

#### Peiping Peiping, Dec. 14.—The largest city for any Coalition which would prein North China entered a virtual pare the ground for subsequent whittling away of non-Communist

state of slege on Tuesday. Fighting surged towards the northern outskirts of the ancient capital. A new clash with the Communists | war. broke out south of Changhsientien on the Pelping-Hankow railroad. seven miles southwest of here.

People at Pelping's south air field could clearly hear nunfire. existing channels, of trade, It was possible the Communists are largely foreign and the nonwere trying to neutralise the field. Communist demand for the mainseven miles south of Peiping, and tenance of a working link between the only one of two here still in any Communist Administration and the outside world.

The nightly curiew was advanced from 11 p.m. to 8 p.m. Authorities gave notice all gates of the city would be closed at sundown. responsibility for economic and ad-

Trenches are being dug and other battle preparations being outside the walls. Garrison headwould inherit.-Reuter. quariers announced the 13th Army and the 208th Youth Division had the city.

'Amld these developments and rumours of compromise with the Reds. General Fu Tso-yi's Headquarters announced that Peiping and Tientsin

critical with the lengthening period was estimated officially here at bayoneted rifles.

fear is that it will come too late.

Nanking and Shanghal daily, Even the fusuguration of the carrying needed supplies to the Shanghal Shanghal forces.

Shanghal Self Salvation and Shanghal daily, Suiyuan, Pelping-Hankow and beleasuered forces.

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Pelping-Hankow and beleasuered forces.

Communist troops from entrenchments vacated a few hours earlier by the Communists. Smoke at left centre is riging from Communist lines - AP Picture.

### Minister Makes Love To Woman Member Of Diet

Chinese Nationalist sol-

diers entrenched near Hau-

chow, prepare to strack

Tokyo, Dec. 14.—The Finance Minister, Sanroku Izumiyama, past few months, favoured going to resigned today from the Japan- Chiang Kal-shek's, aid with large ese Parliament after a 47-year- stocks of Army materials in Japan old woman member of the Diet which were not being utilised by proper advances" to her in the sidered surplus or unusable a few Reports from Washington that lobby.

.The Speaker of the House had to declare a recess to restore order last night when Mrs Saruye Yamahita claimed Izumiyama had embraced

The Cabinet accepted Izumiyama's resignation, admitting the had be-

come drunk during a party earlier last week-end. The House Speaker declared that it was useless to restore order after Mrs Saruye Yamashita claimed that Izumiyama tried to embrace her.

- Izumiyama was not present to The recent military successes of defend himself. It was said that the Finance Minister was asleep in the Ministers waiting room. After a recess, the Diet went back into the 9th session in an effort to pass the suppleelements on the lines which have become femiliar in Europe since the mentary Budget Bill and then vote

confidence motion against At the same time the Communists Yoshida Government. have two practical interests for Another . woman . representative, Mrs Chlyo Hakakibara, 50, made

on the Opposition Party's non-

the first charge against the Finance Minister. Premier Shigeru Yoshida, Te-

must still investigate." floor and said: "I was, the direct can override both and force a revictim of Izumlyama. He forced me appraisal of the entire Far Eastern out of the room into the corridor policy. However, past tendency has and embraced me.

made ministrative problems which they him he had more important business military advice from the State and to attend to." -United Press.

### Big Armed Police Force For Japan Is Envisaged

Washington, Dec. 18.—Informed Defence sources today said the United States was thinking of building an armed police force of 100,000 to 150,000 men in Japan. They said that, militarily speaking, no drastic change was contemplated in the United States' Far Eastern policy, but rather a gradual evolution whereby Japan would not remain a power vacuum after the occupying forces had left.

First official indication that the United States was thinking along these lines was in last September. when Lieut-General Robert L. Eichelberger returned . from Japan and said he favoured an police force of 125,000 men.

Since then the Chinese situation has deteriorated, mpidly posing new problems in United States policy in Asia and crystallising thoughts concerning a Japanese security force. However, informed defence sources insist no drastic changes are contemplated.

#### - DISARMAMENT POLICY

Sources pointed out that all powers occupying Japan were committed by policy to disarming Japan and keeping her disarmed. Also, the Japanese constitution commits Japan to complete disarmament. However, Japan is permitted to maintain certain forces inside the country for policing purposes and maintenance of order.

An source said the contemplated force of 150,000 would not contravene either the policy or the

Both the U.S. Army and State Department for a long time have opposed sending more substantial military aid to China on the grounds that - it would not be properly utilised. There have been reports that General MacArthur, until the situation changed and stocks conmonths ago now are regarded as vital to defence.

#### UNCONFIRMED REPORTS

In view of these indications of changing outlook, there have been reports-completely lacking confirmation—that General MacArthur requested strong reinforcements and United States military policy-makers considering rearming the Japanese. Whether the National Security Council is considering such a policy definitely is not sions are top-secret and no announcement is ever made on them. However, defence sources at lower level than the Security Council insist that an armed police force is as far; as United -States

These sources say it is obvious Japan could not be left without security forces of its own when the occupying powers leave. Hence the necessity for building up and training a strong, well-disciplined police

planning goes sow.

The sources carefully pointed out plying, said: "I am sorry that the that the Defence Department did Finance Minister is not here, but I not formulate United States policy, nor did the National Security Coun-Mrs Yamashita: then took the cil. President Truman and Congress been for Mr Truman and Congress "He told me 'I love you.' I told to listen closely, to political and Defence Departments.--United Press.

#### Armed Protection For Government Shanghai, Dec. 14. — The Banks In Shanghai doors of the Central Bank of

and southwest of Substen are now minute." General Fu is govern- Government institutions where herded into perfect lines under the "Yellow Ox" gargs, who have been and southwest of Sunsien are 180 minute." General Fu is governrelying largely on airdropped supplies of food and ammunition, informed sources said here tonight.

They require 500 tons of food, 400
tons of ammunition dally. The two
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between 200,000 and 250,000, and
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A military spokesman said Lin
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queuers who tried to sneak out of market activities, have been having Traffic on three of four north During the past two weeks, the line to get ahead. a heyday in the current gold and has yet to be made, and the are flying several trips each out of China railways has, for all practical thousands of China railways has, for all practical advantage of the government offer.

in the Yangise, the failure of in the support, supplies of a desperate of and reinforcements which he said for, faind vertices of and often breaking for the supplies of and often breaking for the supplies of and often breaking for places in line, the supplies of the supplies of and often breaking out in ground for light aircraft but its understood that no planes are able to land yet.—Reuter.—AAP.

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National Salvation Association"
National Salvation Association Within General Huang We's gradually compressing area, 400 the police of the two blanks, in the equivalent of less than 33 US. The supplies brake, in along the Bund from the two ounce or suver domars purchasable banks, riot squad members were in the equivalent of less than 33 US. The supplies brake, in along the Bund from the two ounce or suver domars purchasable banks, riot squad members were banks, riot squad members were street, should be bonks, in along the Bund from the two ounce or suver domars purchasable banks, riot squad members were banks, riot squad members were street, should be street, and then lake it out to restrain but the substantial street. As and often breaking out in gradually compressing area, 400 the bound from the two ounce or suver domars purchasable.

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ing. indefensible, but that it should be surrendered in such manner raises Immediate doubts as to whether the Nationalists in Hopel intend to engage in any further perious fighting. The mines were left Intact, which is contrary to the declared scorched earth policy allegedly laid down by the defending Nationalist forces. Furthermore Moosa's report from Peiping credits General Fu with giving instructions that nothing should be destroyed in the Tongshan | area, although. the mines were holding 1,000,000 lons of slockpile coal. These developments, taken in association with the growing deback

Thereafter the big question is what the Communists intend to do. Freed of military commitments in the North, and perfectly capable of quickly repairing rail communications which they themselves have destroyed, Reds would be in a position to switch massive forces to Central and Eastern China for an attempt at a final coup de grace in the Yangtee area. To Nationalist armies already committed to strategical disadvantages this may well strike them as the beginning of the end as a fighting machine, and the prospect of a sudden collapse of the Nanking troops in the fighting on the Kiangsu-Anwhei front cannot be ignored. Nor their consequences. It would southwards that would embrace Nanking and Shanghai and. couthwestward to the Wuhan cities. And conce this happened the Communists could, thereafter, choose their own fighting ground. Generalissimo Chlang Rai-shek's armies are not yet to be written off, but the signs that they may be irretrievably defeated in battle, or sold out by defeetion are growing more ominous. If there were ever a moment when inspired and resolute leadership was needed by the Nationalists in the field It is now, but the sign , which "Shanghai Self Salvation and boleaguered forces.

the Nationalist forces in North China are about to surrender. this is Spenca Moosa, doyen.

Chinese Navy. ravishment.—Associated Press, --tal through the West Gate.

The fighting is presumed not to ists in Peiping are going through all be far from the west airfield, perhaps within a very few miles, re-

mercial planes had proceeded to the Chinese Government, representablance of fervour and at all the city. Tientsin and military aircraft took tives of the American State-Departoff for other safer fields.. While the west aerodrome might

become unusable. Pelping still has

Meanwhile, a dozen Americans, 134 Stateless and 37 others left Peiping by train yesterday for Tientsin where they will board an

Nanking, Dec. 14.-Chinese Government military quarters said on Monday that new Communist successes might soon force the Nationallists to fall back to the Yangtse River opposite Nanking.

These well informed quarters trap 145 miles to the northwest.

They acknowledged that the 12th Army Group, encircled for 17 days, had lost more than half its original combat forces of 110,000 men and The 12th now is compressed into a four square mile area and is

nition. pave the way for a sweep having little success hitting the compressed target and are facing been moved into Pelping to defend aircraft fire.-Associated Press.

tionalist Army Groups northwest would be defended "to the last China and the Bank of China-

of the Communist encirclement. will promote any such confidence | Over 50 civil and air force planes

#### finerease the scale of ther aid to China unless the Chinese Administration made a major effort to-help itself are seen here as consistent with this conclusion. VAST DIFFERENCE Observers admit that there is a vast difference between a decision in principle to discuss a Coalition and a final agreement on terms upon

work together.

which the Communists and non-

Communists would be prepared to

the Communists have placed them

in a strong position to dictate terms

concluding such an agreement.

1.—China's dependence

2.—Politically speaking, the Com-

munists may not be eager to press

home their military advantage into

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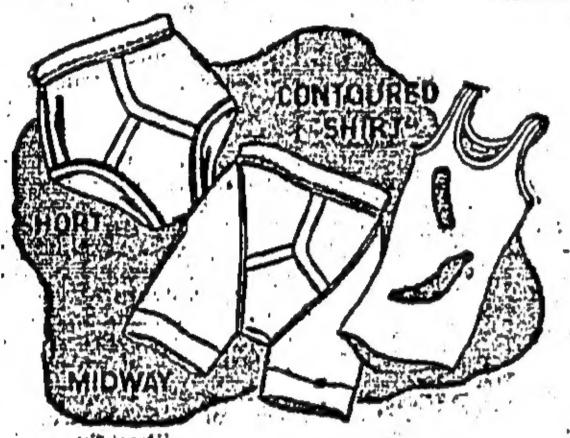
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## EEWOMANSENSE



#### TREAT THE NEAR-SIGHTED CHILD By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

THERE are a great many . In some cases it is true that as A false notions about nearsightedness, especially the one that a child with this condition children with severe degrees of nearwill gradually become blind. I sightedness be taken out of school am glad to be able to assure and allowed no reading for a period parents who have been frightened in this way that they have

. by the sun or furnace

heat . . . drops.

As a matter of fact Dr A. Lloyd children with nearsightedness do Morgan is even more reassuring. He not get progressively worse. believes that the near-sighted child should not be thought of as having a terrible eye disease and that, live a normal life instead of being nearsightedness have been sug-treated as an invalid. "Metallic"

nothing of this kind to fear.



Black wool striped with pink makes this dress and bolero.

The dress has a fitted bodice, high waist, pencil slim skiri buttoning down the back. The bolero dips and files away at the back.

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the child grows older the near-

sightedness gets worse. Some doctors

even go so far as to advise that

of one year. They found that when

this was done, half the children did

not get any worse. Dr Morgan

found, however, that if no treatment

of any sort is given, seven out of ten

Proper Glasses

A number of different causes for

birth; changes in the shape of

rest and sleep, fresh air, and sun-

Normal Life

restrict reading or to stop ony par-

ticular activity.

an invalid.

There appears to be no need to

in their condition; fact is, there was

proper glasses and given instruc-

tions about wearing them. Such a youngster should not be considered

Eleven-Year Old Editors

Print Weekly Paper

contribute to nearsightedness.

### Paris Shoe Styles For Next Year

HERE'S the word on Paris shoe

It's high buiton shoes, for one Of course, not all the shoes are buttoned, but the idea is the same. Pinched heels, pointed toes, and that

The shoes were displayed in a "shoe 'showing" which included amethys and garnet-studded gold kid "chaussure d'interieur," a bedroom slipper priced at a mere U.S.

Actually, few people walk around in these creations. They are made so that the designs can be sold to leading shoo manufacturers all over

#### Styles Varied

Here's what's new for next year: For daytime wear: thick crepe-soled walking Oxford type shoes with flat heels, made in gay, colour-ful skiny leathers. Red and kelly green preferred for wear with gray tweeds, and even (first time seen in fashion show anywhere) with dressy dark dresses.

For afternoon wear and cocktail times, the spat shoe (or high buttoned type) came into its own. shoe-bases.

evening, there were soft babypink, again; high Recled bootees. Baby blue and pink also were featured in fur lined "after ski" boots:

#### One Pair Different

Dodging from the Victorian look n shoewear was one pair with the rounded last made in black patent leather which was strictly 1920. Straps of all kinds and the

roman-sandal effect of lattice-work laces up the ankles were shown for both cocktail and evening wear. although there were no flat heels. Heels in the collection, by Paris' shoe designers, went as a high as a little over three inches:

Slits, punctures and pleats, especially cut-outs in leaflike formations over the toes, were shown on almost all models. One model was so complicated it took the shoe-maker a week to make. Those shoes were all handmade.

Colours, Dright ones, were shown with dark ensembles, and other tones were mouse gray, bottle green, baby blue and pink, beige, dead boat, chocolate brown (to wear with black), hounds tooth black and white check, and red plaids for the superstructure or gaiter.

#### ness which has developed before various eye structures; a lack of action of muscles that move the eye; increase of pressure of fluids within the eye-ball, and lack of various university vitamins and minerals. It has been upholstery claimed that bad reading habits By ELEANOR ROSS

It is suggested that the parents be indeed, perhaps more so, in the the glasses when he wishes to see

certainly should wear them when he from various manufacturers, in de- luncheon or dinner. is reading. No other special type of signs that ranged from period retreatment seems to be necessary productions to contemporary pieces, stripe, and very handsome tool

#### Sago Green ::

Another piece was one in a most In more than 240 patients who interesting fabric in sage green with were treated in this way by Ur a distinct ridge formed by a loop Morgan and observed over a period pile weave. Gold thread appears in of seven or eight years, three out the flat spaces between the ridges,

of four showed only mild changes making for a novel effect. One of the most attractive exvery little tendency for the near- hibits was a pair of little slipper sightedness to become worse. It chairs of a very new design. These would appear, then, that a child were fully upholstered armchairs who is nearsighted should be per- with the line and proportions of a mitted to lead a normal life. He, of modern easy chair, yet they were course, should be fitted with the small and dainty. The chairs were covered in a hand-woven tweed thread overtones. Another piece was savoury. You can add interesting in- or butterscotch sauce. gray, green and blue with gold upholstered in a fabric in which gredients to the batter to make narrow gold stripes alternated with them fit almost any meal." stripes of coral chenille.

### Made By The Blind

Liberty, Mo .- A four-page weekly newspaper is! making regular In keeping with the furniture there were some handsome fabrics appearances here but so far it is not causing owners of the 100-year-old

A fine white casement cloth dell-Liberly Tribune much worry. The new paper, the Press, suggested all sorts of uses. A handpublished by the "Westside , Pubsome rug composed of copper metal lishing Company." Jim Colebird and Alec Crawford are the editor and assistant editor, ... They sell has, cover news; print and deliver their

They are 11 years old The Press boasts of 34 subscribers and 11 advertisers.

### Keep Neck Contours Youthful



Give neck and shoulders a nightly massage to keep youthful contours, advises Screen Star Martha Hyer.

#### By HELEN FOLLETT

black and brown patent leather whatsoever. If it goes to seed, takes strokes to the car lobes.

A neck can look-older than anything, and you just can't live it down. If you are getting along towards the forty mark, you had better get neckwise and soon. It can go into a state of collapse overnight and then what? All you can trap-button business, a sandal with do is to cover it with a collar. Don't forget that it can be preserved through fastidious treatment, rarely can be repaired with success.

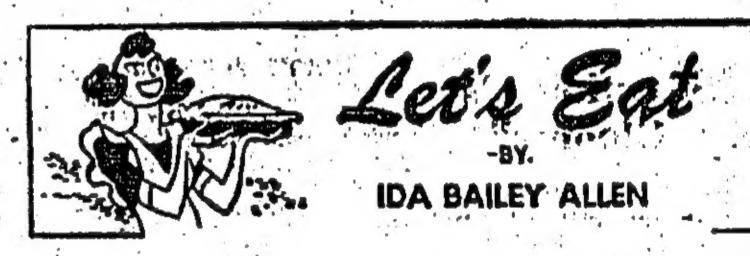
> Five minutes of lubricating and massaging every night will often the chin to the chest will keep insure against neck wreckage. Use strong and resilient, a heavy emolient, one that will not permit the fingers to slip. Put it slop just under your chin; include on a clean skin surface.

Matching plaid spats over black IT may happen that a woman wins Start the application just below patent leather, pointed-toe pumps, I the beauty race by a neck. A the collar bones, using upward for example, were shown with a beautiful neck of satin-smooth sur- curving strokes. Placing flattened dressy black ensemble. Gray clas- face and fine lines is a good-looks. fingers at the base of the throat, tic sheaths built up over the regu- item of which any woman may be work out and up to the tops of the lar shoe line and closely hugging proud. But the trouble is this: shoulders in half circles. Then, startthe ankles also were shown with if it qualifies, it gets no attention ing under the chin, do sweeping on wrinkles or discolourations, there to stretch the skin. Slap and pat For dancing in the afternoon and is difficulty in getting it in form briskly. Finish with an ice fric-

> Thin neeks will absorb a good. deal of cream, and that is all to the good. In the morning, lave with cold water to bring firmness to the

> How you carry your head may be the making or the unmaking of this. pillar that holds up your tete. Let the chin droop and there will be cross lines on your throat Keep up your chin-you should anyway beand the delicate fibres running from

And don't let your powdering the neck and the earlobes.



### A Nice Cold Weather Treat

treats is waffles. Traditionally fish or cheese go a long way." they were served for breakfast; but now they are popular as desserts, and their delicious, Chef. And, of course, they're pertill-up qualities can retrieve fect with sausages for any meal" many a meal that otherwise might be classed on the skimpy In treating the near-sighted child, THE glint of metal brings a fresh side. But I maintain that of course, he should be fitted with I look and a fine richness to the

proper glasses. In the experience of new furniture upholstery scheme wasses should also be used some physicians, it does not seem to of things. A recent showing of fur- more frequently instead of make any difference whether the niture in America and fashions toast with creamed ham or glasses are worn all the time or not. found visitors just as interested, dried beef, chicken a la king, informed that the child may wear furniture than in the beautiful or even with luncheon meat in objects at a distance, but that he Upholstered chairs and settees good dishes for breakfast,

"That is also a very good iden," except the usual following of good showed an interesting use of metal- commented the Chef. "In Brazil health habits in regard to a well- glinted fabrics. An armless chair they make the pancakes and roll balanced diet and getting plenty of had as upholstery a handsome them around a filling of minced turgreen and white textured fabric key in gravy; and in Russia they the oven. with a fine stripe formed by gold make the famous Blinis, which are thread. An open armchair in green pancakes filled with caviar and and beige showed off a bold gold served with sour cream. I am sure that if they had walfle irons they served, they are hard and tough."

#### Chocso Waffles

A woven pattern suggesting a delicious Madame; that is when you full of bubbles to brown the other plaid in deep pink, green and gold a half cup of grated sharp side. aroused interest as it was one of add a half cup of grated sharp side. a collection hand woven by blind choese to the batter. Perfect to ent

"And nut walles are marvellous," oven a bit; chop and add to the dropped in very cold water, or cook cately highlighted with gold thread, batter. These are good with butter up to 232 F. by the candy therand a fruit salad."

brown fibre would look at home con or dinner, Madame, you could litted evaporated milk. Serve hot or anywhere. Just bout the most have a waffle shortcake. Very at cold. attractive and original screen seen in tractive when the lady cooks them a long time, is a floor screen made at the table. Two plain waffles for of half-round wood dowels alternat- each person, put together with ing with reed-like sticks, and woven chicken in gravy, or chopped meat . To make walfles without spilling,

TATHEN cold weather comes, shrimp, or grated tuna fish a la VV one of the most popular king. And it is a help to the budget because it makes a little meat or,

> -- "Rice- and -cornmeal- waffles-would be especially good used that way,

Beet and Celery Salad Quick Franconia Potatoes Cauliflower or Cabbage Waifles Butterscotch Sauce Milk (Children)

Coffee or Tea All Measurements Are Level

#### Recipes Serve Four Quick Franconia Potatoes

Plain boll or pressure-cook well scrubbed white potatoes. Peel, sprinkle lightly with sait and slowbrown all over in meat fat or bacon drippings, either on the range or in

Sift together 11/2 c. all-purpose would also enjoy very much the flour, 214 tsp. baking powder, 14 tsp. American waffles when they are salt and 1 thsp. granulated sugar. nicely made. But I find that often Separate 2 eggs. Beat the yolks in the homes when waffles are lemon coloured, and the whites stiff-Melt 1/3 c. butter or margarine. Stir . in 1 c. milk; add to the egg yolks. don't use enough shortening." I ex- gredients. Beat constantly until the plained. "A third of a cup of melted batter is light and full of bubbles, shortening is needed for 1 1/2 cups of better use a hand beater. Then fold flour. And it must have a fresh in the egg whites. Bake the watfles pleasant flavour. It can be butter, in a pre-heated waffle iron until margarine or vegetable shortening golden brown. Allow about 3 min. When the right "amount is used the Serve as a savoury with ment or fish, waltles are tender, and don't stick heated in a cream or Spanish sauce; to the waifle iron. Realty, waifles or as a sweet with confectioner's can be classed as both sweet and sugar and cinnamon, syrup, honey.

Waffle-Griddle Cakes; Follow the preceding recipe, adding 14 c. extra milk. Drop by tablespoonfuls onto a heated griddle or heavy frying pan "I think the cheese wattles are oiled with shortening. Turn when

Butterscotch Sauce: Combine 11/4 'e, medium brown sugar with 4 thsp. corn syrup, % c. bolling water and -14 tsp. salt. Boll until 14 tsp. of. used for other decorating purposes. I continued. Toast them in the the mixture clings together when bent in 3 thsp. butter or very good threads blending into a rich cocon . For the main course of a lunch- quality margarine and 4 c. undl-

together with rich chenille yerns in brown sauce. It would also be mix the batter in a large pitcher. good with creamed oysters or and pour into the waffle fron.

## WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



THE FIRST SIGNS—The first big snow in America piled up drifts four to five feet high in this South Dakota town. The white blanket is cruelly troublesome.



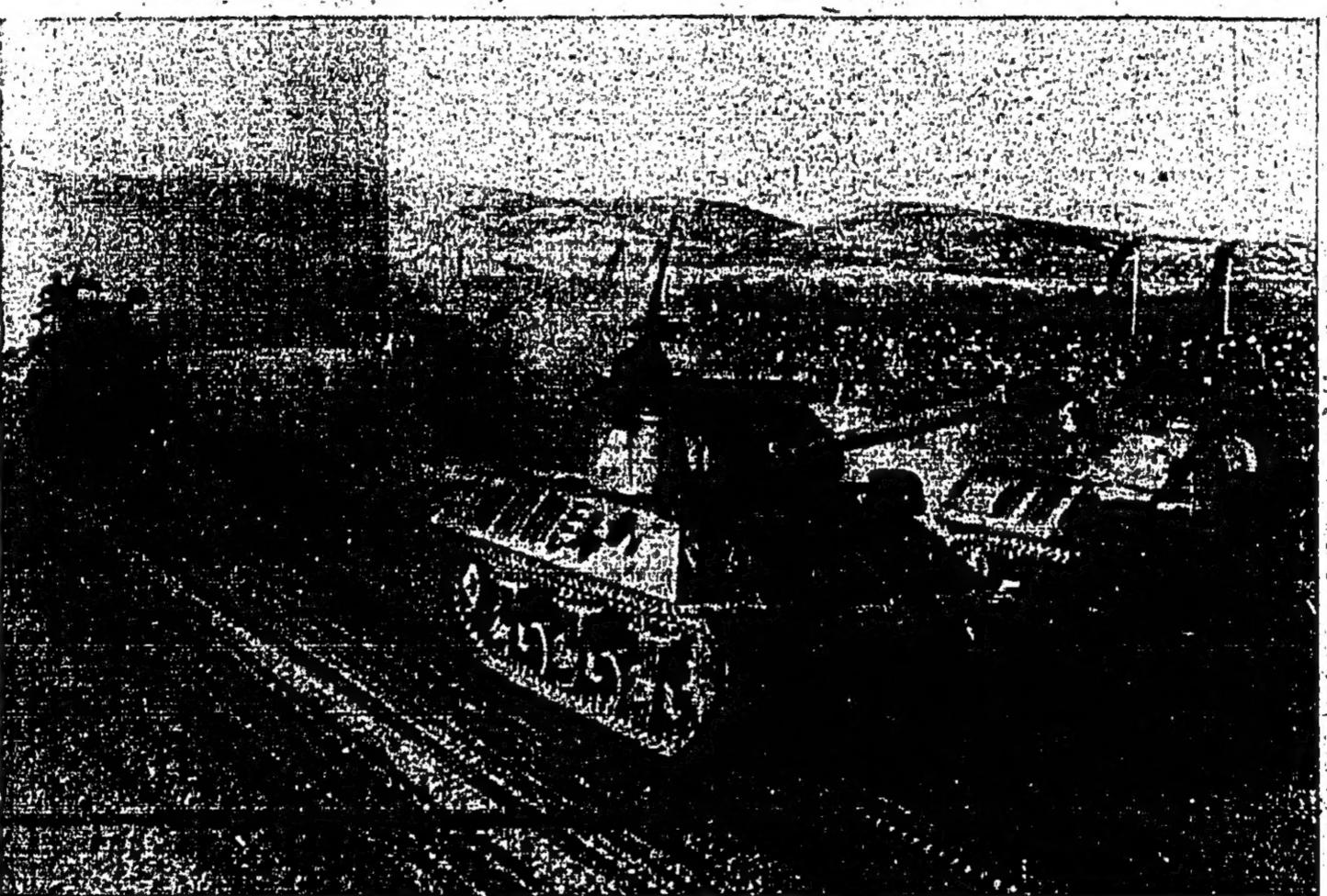
PLOUGHING PRESSMAN—Paul Stiefbold relaxes on his tractor with the trophy won at the National Ploughing Contest in Dexter, Iowa. Co-publisher of a paper in Naperville, Illinois, he is believed to be the only American newspaperman who is also a champion plougher. He also went the title in 1946.



THANKSGIVING—Joy was bursting in their hearts when members of the Opilka family arrived in Memphis, Arkansas, from the misery of a displaced persons camp in Europe. But first in their minds was an offering to God for their deliverance. From the railway station they went directly to St. Michael's Church in West Memphis. Father Louis Janesko blesses them as they start a new life filled with hope for the future in a free America. They will settle on a farm in the state.



CARRY YOUR OWN—Actress Helen Hayes was glad to be greeted at the pler by her husband, Charles MacArthur, and son, Jamie, when the liner America landed during the New York scamen's strike. No pler hands were to be found.



AMERICAN-MADE MIGHT—In this first public showing of U.S. military equipment, supplied to Turkey under the military aid programme, tanks, trucks and artillery manned by Turkish crews roll through the outskirts of Ankara. The display marked the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Turkish Republic.



A HELPING HAND—This Israeli soldier lends a helping hand to a small Arab girl after Jewish forces drove Arab irregulars from Iqtir, a tiny Palestinian





RECLAIMED BOOKS—With the aid of a magnifying glass and a sharp knife,
Jacob Kohnert removes the binding from a salt-encrusted book in Berlin. Over
200 volumes had been hidden in a salt mine in the Hary Mountains to prevent
war damage. Covered with salt crystals, they are being sonked in the bathtub
prior to being rebound.



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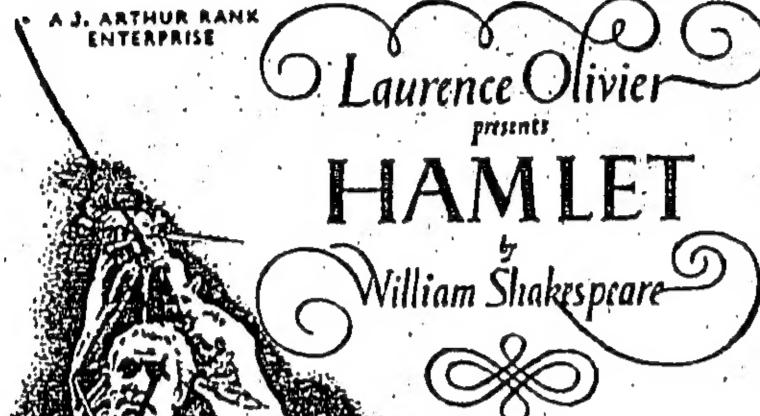
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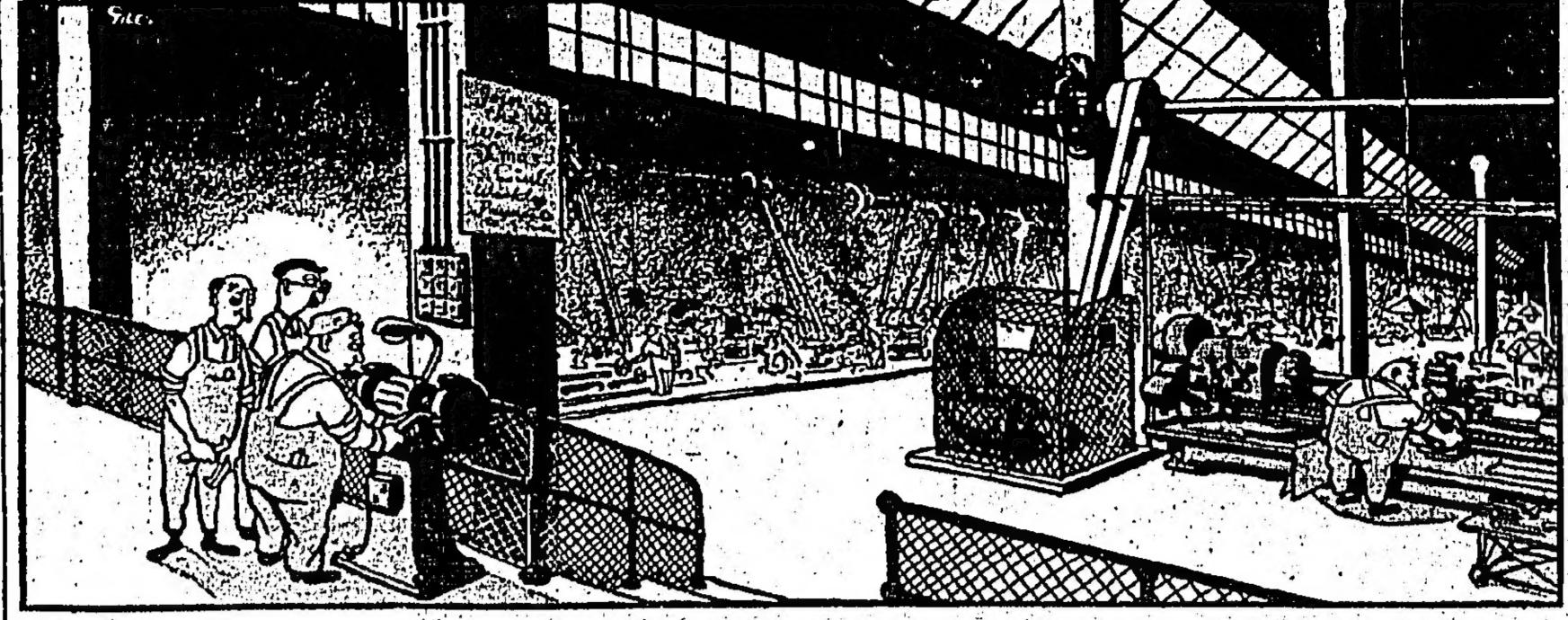
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#### By GEORGE SCOTT

EYOND the boundaries It had all the credit for organising p of Soviet Russia the red setting. Outside of Russia it's approval. rays are growing steadily Secretary of State, Mr Marshall, weaker, and, while it still sends we have passed from the dan- the ancient centre of civilisation. gers of its noonday glare.

Europe, and the glorious days of Communism in Italy. Russin.

Those were the days when admiring Allied audiences watched with amazement the stubborn resistance of the Russian armies at Stalingrad; when they goggled gratefully as the massive military the path cleared for it by the relentless bombing of German indus- cline. trinl-cities by the RAF.

#### THREE MEN WHO DIVIDED GERMANY

While these hymns of praise were being sung for Russian might, a committee of three men sat. to determine the partition of Germany, defining the spheres of authority. They sat for more than 18 months.

The members of this committee: were Winant, Gusev, and Strangthe same Strang who visited Russia Yor the British Government in none of its defects. 1939-and their recommendations Whatever his "something" in

German territory. These concessions were made at cow. the time when America was earnestly pressing Russia to take a share

in the war against Japan. America then had no great confidence in swift victory in the Far

Russia gave on undertaking "and entered-the-Japanese-war-to-the Party at the General Election. dny, according to her promise. The date happened to be six days before the Japanese surrender.

The zenith of Russian popularity in the Western countries was reached at the Potsdam conference; from which the Western delegates departed in the joyful belief that they had established a basis for main-

taining wartime unity with Russia. They agreed to support the Soviet claim for the transfer to Russia of Konigsberg and East Prussia, and acknowledged, for the time being, the accomplished fact of the Russian occupation of Eastern Germany.

#### TRIUMPH, THEN DECLINE THE

This was the greatest triumph of Communism, but thereafter Russian authority began to decline.

The first public manifestation of n clash between the Western Powers and Russia came .in Iran.

Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill had agreed on the necessity of maintaining, the "Independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of

Russia and Great Britain had-invaded Iran as a joint enterpriss. agreeing that both armies would only for a time. evacuate six months after the war. Russia did not withdraw her troops. Mr. Byrnes put on pressure, there. and for the first time the Russians were compelled to evacuate in face of American Insistence.

Very quickly the friction increased and conflicts became severe. Differences were pronounced and cisputes acrimonious.

munism were to be witnessed. Communism had all the advantages in Italy of postwar depression

the underground resistance movement, and was expected to seize hold sun of Communism is of the Government with popular It was there that the U.S.

went into politics. . As a result ho forth long shadows of unrest, won a compaign for his country in A democratic form of government was set up and Marshall aid Communism has failed in Western further encouraged the decay of

exultant prestige abroad are over for - Meanwhile, the decline of Communism in France was being reflected in the constituencies and the polling centres, and also in the House of Deputies.

Although Auriol has made many unavailing efforts to set up a stable Government, Communist influence, machine rolled on to Berlin along far from being nourished by these failures, has continued in its de-

> Finland feels the weight of the Russian yoke more oppressively. Notwithstanding that, the electors there boldly rejected Communist candidates and set up. a Government which would be ready to throw off

Russian influence and to dely Russian threats at the first opportunity. Tito, beaming arrogantly, was strong enough and bold enough to part from the Cominform and set up something of his dwn, which, he declares, will have all the advantages of Russian Communism and

gave to Russia large portions of Yugoslavia might be, Tito does not accept Russian authority from Mos-

#### HELPED THE SOCIALISTS TO WIN

In Britain, the Communist Party certainly helped the Socialists to win 40 or 50 seats from the Tory But their influence has steadily decreased since that moment, and today Socialist MPs unquestionably defying Communist votes are defying Communist" Party influence, opposing it with the obvious knowledge that the power used on their behalf in the last election no longer

It is a long-established practice of politicians to kick down the ladder by which they have climbed. This time the practice is justfied. In America, last month, the electorate gave their answer to

the Communists. As the brain and nervous system of Henry Wallaco's Progressive Party, the Reds had hoped that he would poll chough votes for them to claim that the people of the United States wanted neither Republicans nor Democrats.

Wallace's poll of just over million was one-fifth of what he had himself expected. . .

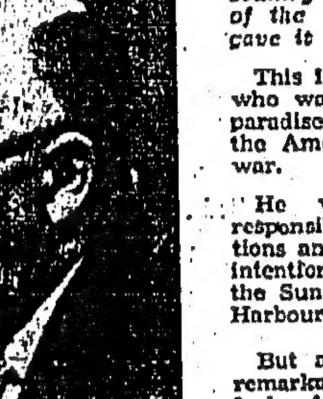
#### DEEP: RESTLESS ANTAGONISM

Unhappliy, the signs of newborn freedom in Poland have been crushed and broken, but assuredly

There is a deep, restiess antagonism towards the Communists grievances against American policy,

Communists gaining ground, and weaker they have grown. that is not in Western Europe. where force of arms more than the is never given any credit for his triumphantly successful measure. on grounds of expediency,

resistance against Communism? nigh forgotten man, Chief of Staff brings benefits and advantages considered foreigners. unswerving policy of George Truman said at the end of the by him during the dark days of convenient or practical if we like.



men who gave the Allies victory in war, whose policy has routed Communism in Europe. While other Western statesmen

MARSHALL, one of the

may have wavered, and common peoples shivered with frosty fear before the predatory Communists, Mr Marshall has remained sure in purpose, consistent in vision, strong in action.

He was the man who gave the great\_boulder\_of\_Communist\_power the initial push downhill, and has kept it rolling, breaking into pieces all the way to its final future destruction.

Yet it is the Irony of fortune that in this, his greatest, hour, he should be regarded by his fellow-Americans with little more than indifference.

with his courteous wisdom, his serious-faced common sense, and his nwo-footed determination, has taken us well along the path towards defeating fear, has damaged Communism, which feeds on fear.

He has done so much more than plan and expedite Marshall aid: His steadfast policy of strength

against the Russians has begun the deliverance of the peoples of the world from fear.

He has welded the three great Western Powers together against Russian blows.

#### LONGER PRAISED

The Russians have had just but the more they have shouted, On one front only are the complained, and threatened,

ballot box is determining the issue— splendid achievements. His tenure war:-

"Millions of Americans gave their country outstanding service. General of the Army George C. Marshall 'gave it victory."

who was the glittering bird of the American people during the compulsory military service to He was the Chief of Staff, The proposal is bound to responsible for military prepara-

intentions, who was horse-riding on and possibly even a minority the Sunday morning when Pearl revolt. Harbour was bombed. But at that time neither this

remarkable coincidence nor the lack of preparations in the Pacific through Parliament, though could injure him. His popularity without enthusiasm. remained unharmed by Pearl Harbour.

#### DIRECTED WORLD WAR STRATEGY

This man, with the pouched mouth, the jowled cheeks, and the prominently boned face, stayed MR JOHN DUGDALE, Parliamen-beside President Rooseveit at the Mattary Secretary to the Admiralty, White House throughout the war, is a capable young man, and he advising, guiding, and directing a himself is clearly not oblivious of worldwide strategy... .The U.S. secretary of war, Mr

Stimson said of him:-"General Marshall's ability has no ceiling: it expands with his job."

A simple man, a modest man, a home-loving and family man, Marshall received the loud-volced praise of his countrymen without seeking it.

He was bitterly disappointed ing discussed. when Roosevelt appointed Eisenhower to the Supreme Allied Command in Europe.

Marshall would be appointed to this active command, and Roosevelt miralty, which he has held since 1945,... it was who denied him the honour; with commendable efficiency. not Churchill, as contemporary rumour had 4t.

No adequate explanation of this failure to appoint Marshall has over been given. It remains one of the Attice. mysteries of the war:

situation, stayed at home in Bromwich. Washington.

#### WOULD NOT RUN FOR PRESIDENCY

While the presidential limelight was shining on Eisenhower, Marshall was also the choice of many newspapers, supported by public opinion. But Marshall announced, with a firmness and a decision that left no European doubt of his resolution, that he would not allow himself to be nominated as a presidential hibit-high-grade efficiency at the candidate:

He went on quietly with his work, growing in strength, his ability ever-expanding with the progress of his battle against worthy and capable women members, Communism.

the peak of greatness with his sonalities on the House. defeat of Communism in Western Europe, his term of office us Secretary of State is coming to

Thus we have witnessed once more the extraordinary example of a public man in declining OUR relationship with Eire, as: And yet today, in America, authority carrying out his tasks and U defined by the Prime Minister "It is, moreover, a military front Marshall is no longer praised. He duties with decision and in a the other day, can only be defended

In truth, it may be said, that . Eire is outside the Commonwealth. of Office is drawing to a close and Marshall, in his decline, has con- and now has no link of any kind Where should we look for the there is not even an agitation to ferred on his country and on all with Britain, yet her citizens living: the first signs of the rout of Com- heart, the inspiration of all this keep him in power. This well- Western Europe a, policy which in British territories are not to be It is to be found, of course, in the of the American Armies; of whom exceeding anything accomplished. We may call this arrangement

### LABOUR POINT OF VIEW

#### By Ernest Thurtle, MP

FIRM note is to be detect-A ed in the T.U.C. statement just issued on the subject of Communist disruptive tactics

inside trades unions. It indicates that in their new campaign the General Council mean business. This is not surprising, for much is at

British trade-union movement is pledged up to the hilt to support Marshall aid and the campaign for European recovery.

Against this policy the Communists, in accordance with Cominform instructions, are working with the fury of fanaticism. Their success would bring down British economic recovery with a crash.

Therefore the T.U.C. and the unions generally really have reached the hour of showdown.

This is the same George Marshall RANK and the file Labour is paradise of the American Press and sity to increase the period of 18 months.

tions and knowledge of Japanese give rise to passionate protests.

However, the great bulk of the party will see the measure

They realise that this is notime to expose the Government. to attack for failing to take proper defensive measures.

From this perhaps arises a ...certain hint of smugness, always an irritant to the House.

It was doubtless this which led. blunt Brendan Bracken, no paragon. of parliamentary politeness, to invite the junior Minister "to take that enamelled sneer off his face" when... the subject of prize-money was be-

TOHN may indeed not believe that. J it is the meek who inherit the Roosevelt had made it clear that earth, but he is not a bad sort withal. He has done his, job at the Ad-

> A product of Wellington and Ox- . ford, he did journalistic work for actime, and for many years before the war was private secretary to Mr-

His reward came in 1941, when Marshall, with his clear, vision, he entered Parliament unopposed and firm control of the world for the safe. Labour seat of West

Now, at 43, holding junior, office,

and enjoying the Prime Minister's benevolent interest, he may well feel! that the world is his oyster.

TELLITHOUT malice, I draw atten-VV tion to the fact that the present. Parliament is not producing any outstanding women members. Dr.Summerskill. continues to ex-

Ministry of Food, and may yet achieve fujl Ministerial status. But she is a shining exception. Onthe back benches there are, of course\_

but no Eleanor Rathbones or Lady And now, when he has reached Astors who are impressing their per-This is not a carping male complaint, for I realisé that cur ladles are

still relatively few in number, but a: fact to be registered with regret.

By Ernle Bushmiller Women's Prerogative





## COWIE APPEAL: NEW PHASE IN LEGAL ARGUMENT

The Cowie case entered upon a new phase of legal argument in the Full Court of Appeal this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, sitting with Mr Justice Wicks (Acting Additional Judge). The appellant is William Henry Cowie, ex-Sub-Inspector of the Hongkong Police Force, while the respondent is the Attorney-General, who is represented by Mr A. Lonsdale (Crown Counsel) instructed by Mr L. R. Andrewes (Crown Solicitor). Appearing on behalf of Cowie, Mr Brook A. Ber-

nacchi, instructed by Mr Y. H. Chan (T'so and Hodgson), this morning made application that an order of Mr Justice Gould (then Acting Puisne Judge) made on September 2, 1948, that the appellant was estopped from saying that he was not guilty of misconduct as set out in the Statement of Claim, be set aside, and in lieu thereof it may be ordered that the appellant was not so estopped.

the Board of Inquiry. Both the first and second judgments were on points of law which the Court was being asked to determine before the trial of the ac-

claim for damages against the breach of contract for wrongful dismissal. At the hearing, Mr Lonsdale, dealing with the right of the Governor to dismiss Cowie, sald that the defence was in fact a plea of res judicata (an issue that has been

settled in a court). Counsels' table was crowded with legal authorities, copies of local Ordinances and regulations to which reference will be made in the case of the hearing. SKELETON CASE

Opening for the appellant, Mr Bernnechi said the appeal was

The appeal concerned a lengthy and (11) a few odd matters inand interesting point and it was a cluding the question of burden of matter in which it was incumbent proof of res judicata. upon Counsel to go into considerhearing him all day. Before he port. commenced, he wished to present a skeleton of his case nearly all of whose limbs, he submitted, were to counter the estuppel.

out in the statement of claim. The appellant was previously employed Due Back Today in the Hongkong Police Force, a drawn before a Magistrate, and the appellant appeared before a Depart-12, the appellant was held to have committed an offence by conduct calculated to bring the public service into disrepute by receiving the sum of \$50 from a certain Chinese. On August 21, the appellant rebelved a letter from the Colonial Secretary which stated that the Experiments To Governor had ordered the appellant's

dismissa). The sole matter which was relied upon as an estoppel was the finding. total of eleven limbs.

POINTS SUMMARISED Summarising the points which he a chemist, an entomologist and six . Mr Beicher said Sidney Stanley independence. intended to deal with, Counsel said field overseers. they were (1) that there was no present action were not the same as | to last for two years.-Reuter.

It will be recalled that there was the parties before the Board of Inn subsequent hearing on Septem- quiry; (2) that the Board of Inquiry, ber 14 ns n result. of which Mr had no jurisdiction to sit as a Justice Gould held in favour of judicial tribunal for the purpose of Cowle and ruled that Cowle might | finally determining the matters beat the trial of the action prove that fore it and, as a corollary to that, there were breaches of natural that its decision was not final but justice at the proceedings before purely for the guidance of the Board of Inquiry's decision bare vérdict amounted to a not supported by because the Board power to give support their verdici; if it 'were Cowle had originally brought a pleaded it might be possible to argue that the decision of the Hongkong Government for alleged Governor created an estoppel because it was a judgment or verdict; (4) the reciprocity test and its application to the present circumstances, namely, a test of what the effect would have been had the decision gone the other way on the ground that estoppel must be mutual: (5) that there was no promulgation of the decision such as to create a sufficient estoppel; (6) that the decision was ambiguous and therefore could be the subject malter of an estoppel; (7) that the present action did not raise the same issue as was raised before the from a decision of Mr. Justice Board of Inquiry, except collateral-Gould on a preliminary point of ly; (8) he would deal with argulaw. The solicitors for the respon- ments in the Abercrombie case dent were desirious of attaching to (9) he would deal in general with the record of proceedings the judg- the leading decisions in the past ment of Mr Justice Gould on the dealing with domestic forum second point of law, and as far as which had held a domestic the appellant was concerned, Coun- forum to constitute a res fudicata sel said he was not objecting at and to distinguish those cases from the present stage, but would re- the present one; (10) he would deal serve his right to make an objec- with the cases relied upon by Countion if that judgment came to be sel for the respondent, particularly the General Medical Board cases;

Mr Bernacchi then proceeded to able detail and was one in which enlarge on his points, and referred their Lordships would indeed he to a number of authorities in sup-

The case is proceeding.

## The relevant facts were as set Hon S.N. Chau

certain summons was taken out Dr the Hon S. N. Chau, who has day he might be looking for a job. against him, but was later with- been Hongkong's chief representative He said Stanley took him to see at the conference held in Australia of Isaac Wolfson, chief of the Great the Economic Commission for Asia Universal Stores. ment Board of Inquiry. On August and the Far East. is expected to arrive back this afternoon by BOAC meeting had not been arranged to a gang who attacked the Tavoy

Mr R. Lee and Mr I. Lightbody, Hongkong's other representatives, will be returning later.

### Eradicate Malaria

the Board of Inquiry, said tists have begun large-scale malaria the normal channels at the Board of The Premier, Thakin Nu, said Counsel, and his argument against eradication experiments in Mauri- Trade, Mr Belcher answered: "It is today that certain foreign nations

nounced today. The team consists of a physician, he had never met before."

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



wilde you like to admire am a little longer while ! play football with the kide?"

### Madame Chiang In Washington



Madame Chiang Kai-shek (left), first lady of China, and Mrs George C. Marshall, wife of the Secretary of State, prepare to leave Washington National airport following Madame Chiang's arrival by plane. - AP Picture.

### Belcher Denies Seeking Business Directorship

### LEAVES WITNESS STAND AFTER 111/2 HOURS OF QUESTIONING

London, Dec. 13.—Mr John Belcher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, today told the Tribunal probing alleged corruption in Government circles that Sidney Stanley, a Stateless alien who is a key figure in the inquiry, had never spoken to him about a proposal to import amusement machinery from the United States.

Mr Henry Selff, a London amusement caterer, had suggested the import of prototypes to enable Britain to manufacture this machinery, but he had given him no encouragement, Mr Belcher said.

said nothing about £10,000 being The Chairman of the Tribunal, paid to Board of Trade officials as | Justice Lynskey, said the Tribunal

He agreed that he was spending his £2,000 a year salary to the full, although he was not in debt. Asked about evidence by an earlier witness that he had once said he was looking for a business directorship, Mr Belcher described the suggestion as "completely foul" and "revolting."

He said he had no recollection of remarking to a businessman that one

Mr Belcher was sure offer him a directorship, but he admitted that he had no doubt that he would have considered the matter very carefully if Mr Wolfson had offered him a directorship after he day. had ceased to be a Member of Pan-

London, Dec. 13.-British scien- with him instead of going through Burma.

had never at any time made any Speaking to reporters, Thakin United States.

It was an idea which had been. pursued to some extent.

U.S. LOAN DISCUSSED Stanley and he had also touched on the question of an American loan and, said Mr Belcher, he remembered meeting a Walter Kirschner from the United States about this, and about the Palestine situa-

He had rathered that both Stanley and Kirschner were 'distressed by the actions of the terrorists in Polestine, and Kirschner was on his way to Paris to discuss what could be done to prevent it: Mr Belcher declared that since becoming . Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, he had set out to popularise his Department with the business community.

He had rejected some borderline applications to the Board of Trade precisely because they had been submitted by personal friends. Mr . Belcher was again ques-

tioned about the dropping. of prosecution for infringement of the paper regulations against Shermans football pools. He said there had been consider-

able political pressure on him from two sides-from, Members of Parliament trying to help Shermans and from other Members who disliked football pool competitions.

Solicitor General, Mr. Glenvil Hall, a transfer of sovereignty. Financial Secretary to the Treasury, indicivil servants, ledged Portugal's ancestral respect

Mr Beicher said Mr Selff had I had gone to bottle parties with him. a bribe so that a licence could be | could not accept the evidence unless it was really relevant. The 'ribunal adjourned until tomorrow.-Reuter.

### 3-Day Fight With Gang

Rangoon, Dec. 13 .- Burmese military police killed 33 insurgents in a three-day battle with police headquarters in the Tenasserim Division of Southern Burma, a communique said to-

Government forces killed seven more motor cars fall off Connaught other rebels and wounded 20 when Road into the harbour, frequently Asked if he had ever told they attacked rebel hendquarters with resultant loss of life. businessmen to get directly in touch in the Akyab district of Western

the pleadings was contained in a tius, the Colonial Office here and quite fantastic. Only a madman fare meddling in the affairs of provided? would talk like that with somebody Burma," which constitutes a "direct+, threat to the country's one-year old

Synthetic insecticides are being suggestion to him about assisting in Nu said there was no evidence to estoppel because the parties to the used for the experiments, which are matters that seemed improper. He "prove that foreign governments have agreed that one idea Stanley had a hand in the present internal discussed with him was a permanent | developments." He added that the exhibition of British goods in the Government was determined to see "our friendly relations with foreign be noticed. governments are not affected by I trust you will lend your powerthe machinations of one of two ful support to this long overdue irresponsible individuals."-Reuter.

### Portuguese To Stay In India

Lisbon, Dec. 13 The Portuguese Minister for Colonies, Schlor Teofilo Duarte, tonight reiterated Portugal's intention to maintain her sovereignty in Portuguese India. The Minister, who was speaking at the institution of the new Governor of Portugueso India, Commander Quintanlia Mendosa Dias, stated: "The position of the Portugueso in India, although delicate, is today. from the external point of view for better than months ago. This is due to the establishment of diplomatic relations with the Indian Union which minimise and correct certain attitudes taken up by cle-

ments sometimes irresponsible." Foochaw. 3.30 p.m. The Minister added that Portugal had no aspirations towards territorial expansion and no intention of intervening in Indian affairs. Reviewing the internal position,

the Minister said half the population Mr. Belcher described as "pre- of Portuguese India were Christians posterous," allegations of bibery with Western habi's who were well against Sir Frank Sockice, the aware they would lose much through

He left the witness stand after a for their customs and traditions. total of almost 11 and a half hours. Referring to the new Portinguese Counsel for Mr. Morgan Phillips, Indian Constitution the Minister Secretary of the Labour Party, said: Portuguese India may be asked it his olient would be allowed sure her participation in slotal to give evidence to refute administration will be intensified."
allegations made by Stanley that he Reuter.

### N. ATLANTIC PACT TALKS

More Countries To Be Invited

Washington, Dec. 13.—Denmark, Norway, Iceland and Portugal will be invited to join the seven-power North Atlantic Pact talks now in progress here, it was learned authoritatively today.

Eiro and Italy have also been discussed informally as potential members of the proposed Alliance. Officials said America, Great Britain, France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxembourg and Canada will reach "Identity of view" and then invite the Ambassadors of certain other powers to join the talks.

The American State Department is believed to favour sounding out the other powers soon' on whether they would like to join in the talks. American officials are known to back the inclusion of Denmark, Norway, Iceland and Portugal because of their strategic importance. Denmark possesses Greenland, which has weather forecasting stations and bases vital to North At-

lantic air traffic. Portugal possesses the Azores-a mid-Atlantic air base of primary importance. Eireann Government spokesmen have stated that Eire would not co-operate in any regional security system unless the partition of Ireland Was ended.

Norway and Denmark control th northern European waters, which could be used for attacks against transports bringing troops and supplies | from North America to Western Europe.-Reuter.

### **Quick Arrests** In PI Hold-up

Manila, Dec. 14.-City detectives quickly solved yesterday's US\$75,-000 Surplus Property Commission payroll hold-up in the heart of Manila with the arrest of Manila Police Sergeant Geronimo Pacheco, 58, .less than two hours after the daring theft.

Also arrested were the Sergeant's 26-year-old college professor son, Mardonlo, who was suspected by the police to be the master mind, and Jose Fernandez, 34, assistant dispursing officer of the Surplus Property Commission who, with two other SPC employees, was carrying the money in a car after getting it from the Phllippine National Bank.

The police have recovered US\$27,000 of the stolen money from different houses in the city. Investigation established that the car was stopped by a man in police uniform while on its way back to

the SPC office. An unidentified gunman then entered and ordered that the car be driven to an isolated spot in the ruined walled city. One of the SPC employees in the enr identified the uniformed man as Sergeant Pacheco.

The satchel which had contained the money, was found partly burned in Pacheco's yard.—United Press.

### Letters To The Editor

### Safety Curb For Praya

Why should this toll of precious lives be permitted to continue when a simple saleguard can easily be

An inexpensive curb nine inches high running along the whole length of the sea will would suffice to prevent nearly every such accident. This proposed safeguard would not interfere with the loading and funloading of boats or junks, as the average daily tide is six feet; nine inches more or less would hardly

safeguard. F. JOSEPH ALEXANDER.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 ...

## OUTWARD MAILS

Closing Times By Ale Swatow, Amoy, Shanghat, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao, Pelping and Hoihow, 3.30 p.m. Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, Air Parcel Posts for Manila, Honolulu and U.S.A., (Kowloon CPO) 420 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m. Ordinary Airmail (Printed Matters, Ramples and Small Packet Posts) 101 Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., (Kowloon CPO) 430 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m. Closing Times By Sea Formosa via Reclung, U.S.A., Canada, Central and Bouth America via San Francisco (No Parcela for Canada) 3 p.m. Manila, 3- p.m. Shanghai, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15 Shanghai, 830 a.m. (reg); 9 a.m. (ord). Swatow and Amoy, 9 a.m. (reg); 9.30 Shanghal, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao, Peiping. Amoy, Taipen. Swatow and

Closing-Times By Ben

Atraits, Ceylon, Madagascar and -Cal-

cultaral p.m., and an arrest training

2: "Husbandry" by Professor J. A. Scott-Watson (HelC19): 8.30, Chausson: "Poeme, Op 25. Xehudi Menuhin (Violin) with the Orchestra Sympho-Shanghai, 5 p.m. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16 Closing Times Dy Air Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrein, Alexandria (Nairobi, Johannesburg and Marsellies via Alexandria) Rome and London, (Kowloon CPO) 430 p.m.; (GPO)

Bangkok, Birigapore, Batavia, Colombo, Japan, J.p.m. Closing Times By Sea Manifa, Mauritius, Mombase, L. Marmen Belra and South Africa via Durban,

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ren's Story: "Biffer Again" by Elf Lewis Clarke (BBCTS); 6.15, Bob Crosby and

Radio" given by Miss Lee Wai Lan &

S. K. Lee (Studio); 6.50, Waltzing with

(London Relay); 7.10, "See Tee" Talks on Sport (Studio); 7.25, Interlude; 7.30,

the Editorials". (London Relay) 1 - 8.10.

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Stage and Screen Favourites presented by Alleen Woods (Studio) 8, From

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"INTTERBUGS"

#### Danish Seaman Lost Overboard

At 9 p.m. on December, 11, when tho se Laura Maersk was five days out from Manila on her way to Hongkong, Able Seamon E. A. T. People's Palsoe', London (BBCTS): 9.15. Nielsch (27) c'ther jumped or fell The Man from Hatton Garden' Adven- overboard.

ture 6: The Conway Sapphires The ship was stopped and a boat (BBCTS): 9.30 Questions The launched but there was no trace of the Navy Team-Question Master! Peter launched but there was no trace of the launched but the launched bu Cregory (Studio): 10. Radio News Reel the missing man.

(London Relay): 10.18 Weather Report: In harbour today, the Laura 10.16. Beethoven's Last Quartets No. 1

Quartet in E Flat Major Op) 127, Played by the Busch Quartet. Introductory Am official inquiry will be held on the String Ordinary Suite Constil before the ship sails for Keel ther Report and Close Down.

CYRIL WASHBROOK

## Team Selected

13,-South Johnnnesburg. land in the first Test, which begins at Durban on Thursday, contains no surprises. The side is as fol-

D. Nourse (Natal) captain, E. Rowan (Transvaul), (Western Province), B. Mitchell (Transvani), W. Wado (Natal), D. Begbie (Transvaal), O. Dawson (Natal), A. Rowan (Transvaal), L. Tuckett (Orango Free State), McCarthy (Natal).

The only surprise is the announcement of the decision the selectors to retain the team en bloc for the second Test at Johannes-

precedent for such an action.

out of the players if they know able to wipe off the deficit. their places are secure for two new to Test matches.

scored two centuries against the at times, in spite of numerous a hard chance to Christiani, fielding M.C.C. Douglas Begble, who got a bowling changes.-Reuter. century for Transvaal to-day and McCarthy, the six feet two inches young fast bowler, who took six wickets in Natal's match against the tourists.—Reuter.

MCC TOUR

### Innings By Transvaal

kept the MCC bowlers toiling all day here today when they gained a first innings lead of 47 in the match which-ended-in-a-draw-tho-thirddrawn game of the tour:

Stumps were pulled after Cliff Gladwin had finished off the innings with successive bails, with the Transvanl total at 560 in reply to the MCC first innings of 513 for

It was the highest innings hit ngainst the touring team. took the edge off the bowling by The outstanding pairings are an Allcarrying their unfinished fifth London match, Arsenal versus wicket stand to 171. Begble batted Tottenham, and the Ali-Lancashire, just under six hours for his 154, match , between which included . 18 fours.

for his century when he fell lbw, last season, should be able to make eight short of his objective.—Reuter. progress at Barnsley.

#### SHEFFIELD SHIELD

241 in their linnings in reply Reuter. to New South Wales' 507, Western Australia followed on in their Sheffield Shield maich hero and had lost two second innings wickets for 96 at the close.

Overnight, Western Australia were 84. for two. To-day, Ray Lindwall, the Test fast bowler, took four wickets for 60 in Western Australla's : first linnings, A. Walker claiming two for 42, and F. Johnston two for 67. Carmody hit 36 not out for Western Australia when they followed on, 266 runs behind,-Reuter.

## **Uueensiana**

bowler, took three wickets in four balls for Victoria against Queensland to-day in their Sheffield Shield maich. Queensland, all out for 285 in reply to Victoria's 430, followed on shemeld W. with 151 runs behind and were Grimsby 85 for one at the close of play.

The match ends to-morrow. (70) and K. McKay (07) added 77.

#### HOME SPORTFRONT

#### By PETER DITTON

## England's Next Test Captain - Cyril Washbrook?

London, Dec. 13.—"Cyril Washbrook, England and Lancashire opening balsman, is not going to turn amateur" cabled Crawford White last week from the Press Camp with the MCC touring team in South Africa to his paper the "News Chronicle." This innocent information caused more consternation than its face value indicates.

For some time past Cyril Washbrook has been mentioned as a possible Captain of England for 1950. Indeed Crawford White goes on to say "From a reliable source in London I learn that he (Washbrook) has also had a strong approach from a leading light at Lords who pointedly referred to England's dilemma for a captain in

Australia in 1950." Tradition dies hard in Marylebone, headquarters of English cricket, No professional has ever been picked in advance by the powers-that-be to captain a Test team. (I believe there have been brief moments when professionals have stood in as captains. in emergencies in the field).

But it has been thought that even the most formal and traditional "ex-pro" to captain England. Walter Washbrook might turn amateur, and of English selectors will allow an Hammond led the MCC team in

#### TEST MATCH

# A Draw

Bombay, Dec. 13.—Centuries by R. S. Modi (112) and V. Hazare (134 not out) here today enabled India to draw the second Test against West Indies.

After making 278 in their first innings-following on 356 runs behind the West Indies first innings total of 629 for 6 declared-India recovered from an early setback in their second innings and were 838 for three wickets when play ended.

three hours 20 minutes.

of three hours 38 minutes, while from Ferguson to square-leg and remote. Hazare scored 18 fours in six hours | Gomez, Melding at deep, made a 11 minutes at the wicket.

Men well versed in South Afri- tain, L. Amarnath, who was missed lasted three hours and 20 minutes. can cricket history could recall a in the slips before scoring, put anend to West Indies' hopes of a win, 218 minutes and included 12 fours. The view of the selectors is that and after tea the only interest re- This was his first century in any they are more likely to get the best mained in whether India would be Test for India and it was executed

The West Indies attack badly India's precarious position. Only three of the team are missed. John Goddard, their captain, who was unable to field today, owing to a slight attack of missed in the slips before scoring. They are Owen Wynne, who has bronchitis, and runs came freely While in the nineties, Hazare gave

nership of 151 by R. S. Modi and V. edge of the bat, straight to Chris-Hazare at lunch time gave India a tlani, who failed to hold it. Hazare chance of forcing a draw. Modi, who | reached his century in 264 minutes. scored 107 not put, attacked the The 300 went up soon after tea other end going with a stolid innings | and the only interest lay in whether

of 58 not out.

in a masterly style, uncramped by

Amarnath joined Hazare and was in the gully. It was a two-handed An unfinished third wicket part- breast-high catch which flew off the the Indians would be able to wipe At the luncheon interval, India, off the deficit of 356 runs. The who followed on yesterday with 350 | batsmen made little attempt to go runs behind, were 184 for two wic- for runs and the game ended tamely | choice to replace him. in a draw.-Reuter.

#### FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP

## Johnnesburg, Dec. 13.—Transvani LUCK OF THE DRAW FOR

London, Dec. 13 .- The luck of the draw for the third round of the Football Association Cup has undoubtedly gone to the First Division clubs, for 12 of the 22 are at home and in only three instances do premier teams clash.

It would, therefore, be possible for 19 First Division clubs to be in the fourth round.

In 24 of the 32 tles, teams of Denis Begble and Tony Harris different status are in opposition. Everton and Manchester City.

Manchester United. Later in the day, Alan Melville, holders, appear to have an easy after reaching his 50 indulged in task in receiving Bournemouth some fierce hitting and appeared set while Blackpool, defeated finalists

The only . two non-League clubs who remained in the competition were also, favoured by fortune; Yeavil, the Southern League side, have a home game with Bury, the strong Second Division side, and Walthamstow Avenue, the amateurs, if they win their second round Perth, Dec. 13.-All out for replay, will receive Cardiff City.-

THE DRAW

London, Dec. 13,-Draw for the third round of the Football Association Cup matches to bo played on January 8, with replays the following Saturday, was made to-day and resulted as follows: Leicester Stockport Aldershot Cateshead

Mansfield Southport or York Middlesbro. Tottenham Plymouth V Notis C. V Bradford C. or N. Shemeld U. Cholses Newport C. v Darlington. Manchester C. Walthamstow Cardiff C. or Oldham v Bolton -West Ham Bradford. Sunderland' Liverpool, -. Coventry Stoke Reading or Hull Blackburn B

v West Bromwich

collaber. Johnston finished with Football Association voted on Mon- to elect representatives for the in- What is more, it is extremely purse in license taxes.

Old Bayes, on the interval of the control and checked an earlier Queensland Londs, Dec. 13.—The English Items on the agenda include (1) match in a European Longue.

Blackpool

v Bouthampton



#### Grievances Aired

London, Dec. 13.-The English Football Association and the Football League officials today met re- must come eventually," said Macpresentatives of the Players, Union Adam. to discuss the grievances of soccer

players. There was an exchange of views January 4, 1949.

It is believed that the Union, the event of a deadlock, after the next meeting, will seek the Ministry of Labour's intervention as they did on a provious occasion over the wage claims,-Reuter.

turned amateur without bringing down the vengeance of the god of cricket on his selectors. Washbrook last season was given

the match against Australia by his days of glorious weather and altogether Washbrook benefitted to the extent of £14,000. This record—the good fortune of Bill waukee, USA, on July 2, Bowes of Yorkshire.

pocket, Washbrook presumably has resources to become an amateur, seconds by Gaston Reiff, Belgium, And if selected as captain England he would probably offered a job outside cricket to look after his future career.

But Crawford White's terse cable sends the selectors back to their problem-who can they find for the Modi and Hazare took the over- | Shortly after lunch, the third 1950 tour? Or can they, dare they, night score of 95 for two wickets wicket partnership by Modi and break with tradition and defy Mann (Western Province) and C. to 189 before being separated, the Hazare was broken with only ave W.G.'s beard wagging in his grave partnership of 156 runs lasting runs added, and at the tea interval by choosing a professional for the India were 203 for three wickets. Job ? It is unlikely; if Washbrook Modi hit 12 fours in an innings When at 112, Modi hooked a ball remains a pro his chances are

> The only case of a professional well judged running catch. The An unbeaten 58 by India's cap- partnerchip, which realised 156 runs, captain in English county cricket inches (69.02 metres) by Imre today is Leslie Berry Leicestershire. Is it remotely possible Modi's chanceless innings lasted that this County exception will be | 50 feet 6 :7/8 inches (59.00 metres) paralleled in Test cricket?

### Odd Man Out

Harry Ditton of the "News of the World" has asked in his article, how English soccer selectors choose deputies for International matches. He quoted the case of Jack Rowley of Manchester United, chosen as first reserve for the England team which beat Switzerland 6-0 at Highbury .....

When Finney of Preston had to stand down from the English team by Mrs F. E. Blankers-Koen, because of a leg injury, Rowley, Netherlands, at Amsterdam on June equally at home as a centre forward 20, 1948, improving on her own or outside left, was the obvious previous world record of 11.3

Instead, the selectors picked man, and if Mortenson of Blackpool this odd policy of passing over the original reserve and labelled it un-

of the "Daily Mirror" printed the 1947. Previous record: 154 feet story of England's shadow team 111/2 inches (47.24 metres) by A. which showed up the peculiar Steinhauer, Germany. habits of the selectors-and answered Harry Ditton's criticism. Thompson explained that the selectors picked two teams before every Inter- AAA SCHEME national match.

One represents England, the other, a shadow team, remains in reserve. "Matthews' deputy is Gordon Hurst of Charlton Athletic, who cost his club only a £10-signing-on fee" wrote Thompson. To know the selectors think him good enough to deputise for the illustrious Matthews is certainly a great honour for this young player.

### The European Soccer Cup

But probably the most controversial issue of the week was raised by "Daily Expresa" Sports Columnist John MacAdam when he visualised English Divisional Soccer us it is operated at the moment being replaced by a Muster. League incorpornting all the principal cities in "First move would be to put Bri-

tish football on, a national basis with every enlightened legislator knows sentative for advice. Reuler.

The idea of a Master League is not new. .It was discussed by football officials even before the war. ters." but no final decision was Putting it into operation, MacAdam reached, other than that there pointed out, would mean that small reached, other than that there clubs bordering on large towns should be a further meeting on would go out of the game. It would The Tax great big scream.

There is another very important Hockey Meeting

fewer teams competing in Great flower teams flower teams flower teams flower flower teams flower team flower teams Football is introduced, there will be fewer teams competing in Great Charles at New York next

IAAF RATIFIES

### New World Records

The International Amatour Athletic Federation has announced-the acceptance of 10 club. The game was played in three performances as world records. The new figures passed are:

400 Metres Run in 45.9 seconds by exceeded £3,000 the previous Herb McKenley, Jamaica, at Mil-Previous record: 48.0 seconds by Grover Klemmer, United States, and With this untaxed cash in his Rudolf Harbig, Germany. 2,000 Metres Run in 5 minutes 7

> of at Brussels on September 29, 1948. Previous record: 5 mins. 11.8 secs. by Gunder Haegg, Sweden. 30,000 Metres Run in 1 hour 40 mins. 40.4 seconds by Mikko Hictaren, Finland, at Jyvaskyla, Finland, on June 20, 1948. Pre-

vious record: 1 h. 40 m. 57.8 s., by

J. Ribas, Argentina. Five Miles Walk in 35 m. 43.4 s. by II. G. Churcher, Great Britain, at Motspur Park, Surrey, on June 5. 1948. (Distance not previously recognised for world record pur-

Hammer Throw of 193 feet 714 of Nemeth, Hungary, at Tata, Hungary, on July 14, 1948. Previous record: by Erwin Blask, Germany.

Discus Throw of 181 feet 6 8/8 inches (55.33 metres) by Adolfo Consolini, Italy, at Milan on October 10, 1948, improving on Consolini's own record figures of 177 feet 11 inches (54.23 metres).

#### WOMEN'S RECORDS

100 Metres Run in 11.3 seconds by Mrs F. E. Blankers-Koen, Netherlands, at Amsterdam on June 13,1 1948, equalling her own previous world record of 11.5 seconds.

80 Meires Hurdles in 11.0 seconds

440 Yarda Sprint Relay in 47.4 seconds by Netherlands National deputise for the injured Preston Team (G. de Jongh, N. Witzlershad also not been declared unfit, and P. E. Blankers-Koen) at DAVIS CUP Rowley would not have got a place Ryswyk, Netherlands, on July 25, in the side. Harry Ditton attacked 1948. Previous record: 48.8 seconds by Netherlands National Team.

(48.21 metres) by Herma Bauma, In the same week, John Thompson Austria, at Vienna on June 29,

#### ACCENT ON THE **PROBABLES**

London, Dec. 13. - The day. Amateur Athletic Association's coaching scheme is to be extended to include special training for athletes who show promise of reaching international standard in track and field

primarily for the training of honorary coaches who were available to give assistancii, to any athlete. This training has been carried out by five national coaches, including G.H.D. Dyson as chief coach.

These national coaches were allotted to an area. Each area (Midland, Northern, Southern and Wales) set up an area coaching committee and each county (or district) appointed a coaching repre-

Any athlete desiring coaching could obtain the assistance of an all the crack clubs from Aberdeen honorary coach and if one was not to London engaged and then to available in his vicinity he would launch the League of Europe that get in touch with his county repre-

MILLS ADAMANT

plon, Freddle Mills, said last point to notice. We can naturally night that his fighter rejected suppose that when Master League a challenge to fight Ezzard

room at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday. not one ground in England loday on Friday night at New York.

The property of Broadribb explained that Mills will vickers, 3-1, with the exception of Wembley Broadribb explained that Mills will vickers, 3-1, with the exception of Wembley Broadribb explained that Mills will vickers, 3-1, with the exception of the hockey clubs are requested to attend. Stadium, large enough to hold the not fight before April when the tax crowd expected at an inter-City year ends because it would be a case of paying practically all the

THE SELECTORS ARE OUT

## In The Hunt For Walker Cup Talent

London, Dec. 13 .- While the professional Golfers Association who are responsible for the selection, and preparation of the British Ryder Cup team have, as yet, made no move in connection with next September's match, apart from selecting Canton in Yorkshire as the venue, the Royal and Ancient Golf Club have taken steps towards a challenge for the Walker Cup, the trophy for which amateur teams of Great Britain and the United States compete, in August.

For this match, the British team visit America and. the Selection Committee, which has been in existence for some time, has coopted Sam MacKinlay, a faresceing Scot who knows the requirements of an international player of Walker Cup calibre, to assist them.

dreary winter days on which form ble trial players.

#### CASUALLY, HE BEAT THE EMPIRE MARK

Arap Kiblege, a Nandi tribesman who normally spends his time hunting and guarding his cattle, attended the Rift Valley Provincial Sports meeting at Nakuru, Kenya.

Kibiege was extremely interested in the spear throwing competition and asked if he might compete. Permission was granted.

Kibiege stepped forward, almost casually raised his arm and threw his spear 238 feet exactly.

This throw is 58 ft. 9 inches better than has ever been done before and better than the British Empire javelin record.

The important point about Kibiege's record throw is that his spear weighs between four and five pounds or more than twice the weight of the competition javelin used in Britain's Amateur Athletic Association matches, says a spokesman of the Colonial Office in London.

The world record with the regulation weight javelin is 258 feet 21/2 inches, held by Yrjo Nikkanen of Finland. British Empire record is 222 feet 9 inches, held by S. A. Lay of New Zealand.

### Javelin Throw of 158 feet 2 inches Australia May Stay Out

Melbourne, Dec. 13.-It is still doubtful whether Australia, runners-up last year, will contest the 1949 Davis Cup.

The uncertainty on this point, expressed earlier by some officials, was confirmed at a meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia to-

The President, Sir Norman Brooks, told the meeting: "A tour would show a loss, which would cripple the Association, 'unless the Challenge Round were reached. "It is doubtful whether the Aus-

tralian Government would grant a Dollar permit unless the Association could guarantee reaching the Chal-The present system was devised lenge lound, as \$10,000 would be needed." Ho recommended that a decision

be deferred until next month,-

#### LRC FINALS ON SATURDAY

The Ladies' Recreation Club Tournaments will be concluded on Saturday, December 18, when the three remaining finals will be played in the afternoon, this to be followed by the presentation of trophles and prizes to the winners and runners-up in the Colony, Club and Handleap

All members and their friends are asked to come along. The programme of finals for the afternoon TABLE TENNIS Men's Handleap Singles - Dr.

Smart v. J. B. Hawthorn (2.30 p.m.) Men's Handlenp Doubles J. B. Your Hawthorn & J. Mackle v. P. Bonperman & S. Saul (3.45 p.m.)

The semi-finals are being played to: 19-21 91-23; Chan Fook-kee beat night, on the Victoria Courts, as Talang Yuny-ling 21-12, 21-14, tollows: (5) Harrison V. W. H. Lydan. The Visitors Will play their last Compl. (5) Harrison V. W. H. Lydan.

Early next month, the Committee can be based, but the carerness. will formulate plans as to how they of the selectors has been shown by will set about choosing the British the way one of them has gone around the country, watching minor There is little or no golf in this events, studying the form of possi-

> The President's Butter Tournament at Rye, Sussex, in January annually attracted some of the best amateur golfers in Great Britain, and this coming event will be no exception.

#### WILL BE THERE

The Walker Cup selectors will be there, some playing, and will glean some valuable information concerning the winter form of possible players.

If good, it stands to reason it will justify further trials in more pleasant weather. Then it is anticipated that one major trail will take place in the spring when Walker Cup probables can be selected, glving them several weeks to polish up their game so that a really firstclass team sails for America.

Because of a new decision this year, leading amateurs will be allowed to compete with professionals in major stroke tournaments. and this should prove a grand op-

portunity for them. It should, too, benefit the professionals who will be required to play all the harder, and better, . to prevent the "disgrace" of being beaten by amateurs.

So the professionals, too, will virtually be training and the golf-. ing public will welcome news that Ryder Cup probables have been chosen in good time for their titanic battle with the Americans.-Reuter.

#### Golf At Fanling

The final of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Championship was played at Fanling on Sunday and resulted in a win for G. G. D. Carter, who beat D. S. Robb by six and five in the 36-hole final. The match produced some very fine golf and Carter was 125 for the 31 holes played. Robb, too, played right down to his handlenp and had he received his normal strokes the match would have been all-square when the 31st hole had been completed.

The bogey pool was won by S. S. Gordon with a score of all-square. Starting times for the Over and Under-45 match to be played next Sunday will be published later,

THOMAS CUP

### U.S. Trounce Canada

United States badminton team overwhelmed Canada matches to one yesterday, winning the right to travel to London in February for the world's badminton tournament.

At London, the Americans will play the European and Pacific zones for possession of the Thomas Cup. Dave Freeman clinched: the title for the Americans in the first match - when her trounced. John Samis of Vancouver 15-1, 15-5. The Canadian's only win came in doubles match when Richard Birch

#### Rogers, 15-9 15-8,-Associated Press. Indians Win

of Toronto and Gordon Simpson

of Montreal bent Freeman and Wynn

Ontario, Dec. 13.—India's badminton - team defeated. Western Ontario in four exhibition matches. last night. Davender Mohan bent Ten Bar-

ber, 15-9 and 14-4. Results of other matches were .V. Maccaynht and George Lewis bent Bob Menzies and Jack Kochler, 17-18, 15-10 and 18-15. D. G. Muguo and B. Vallal beat Colin Brewster and Bernard Brews-

ter, 17-18, 18-2 and 115-2. D. Schroff and G. Hemmady beat Bill Butler and Jack Pequangant 15-6, 10-15 and 15-10.—Reuter.

### Another Setback

For Visitors London team in action, but the London, Dec. 13. — Ted thousands of loyal supporters of the "under-dogs" would certainly raise a great big scream.

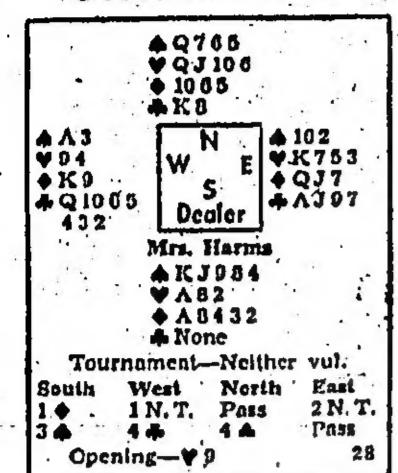
London, Dec. 13. — Ted Club Ladies' Doubles—Mrs Litton tennis team, led by Loo' Kum-soon, but the Broadribb, manager Of the Mrs Stroobach.

World light-heavyweight observed by Look their second beating when they champions, the Ol Luch squad, by 2-3 in a colourful and thrilling encounter at the Chinese "Y" last

## FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

### • McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Shrewd Play Nets Overtrick Here



#### BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

TURING the world championship mixed team-of-four contest at Chicago; I was sitting beside Mrs Virginia Harms and William McGhee of that city, when board No. 56 came to their table. McGhee had a great deal to do with bringing the national tournament back to Chicago, and he is one of the fine card players of the Midwest.

The development of the play on this hand by Mrs Harms was interesting. The bidding given is exactly as it occurred at the table. On the opening lead of the nine of hearts, the ten was played from dummy and East covered with the king. Mrs Harms won with the acc and led the eight of spades. West played low and declarer went up with dummy's queen, came, back with the five of spades, putting on the jack from her hand and West winning.

West returned the queen of clubs. Mrs Harms played the king from dummy, East played the ace and Mrs Harms trumped it. Now she led the ace of diamonds. West, not realising that maybe he would have to unblock, played the nine. Then Mrs Harms cashed the eight of hearts and took two more rounds of hearts in dummy, discarding a diamond from her hand. Next she led the eight of clubs and trumped it. thus stripping her hand and of Mr Punch's chair, shook their dummy of hearts and clubs.

the story of how Grump the Frog. A diamond was led. West had to win, and had nothing to return but made his voice sweet. They said a club. Thus Mrs Harms was able they'd like very much to hear about to discard dummy's losing diamond it and make five-odd for a top score on the board.

Remember that in tournament bridge, it is the extra trick that counts. 'At the other tables, most the swamp. Now he was a very declarers, after picking up the trumps, cashed out the hearts and ruffed the club, then laid down the ace of diamonds. Naturally West was smart enough to unblock the king of diamonds and the hand was held to four-odd.

#### CHESS PROBLEM

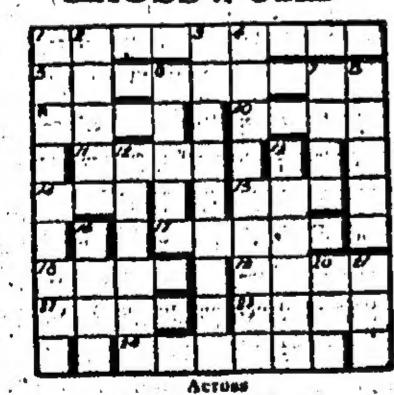
By A. K. ELWORTHY Black, 6 pieces.

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White, 7 pieces. White to play and mate in awo, Solution to yesterday's problem: f. B-K4, any; 2, R, B, or Kt

### CROSSWORD

mates.



- 1. You may delete by such action or it may convey the end of a stoppage. (6, 3) and 8. Not a pass out check or
- Bervice Dass, but could be.
- g, Just what you may expect from A letter from Elale becomes,
- 11. New look for a pear. (4)
- Ho's against you. (B) It has its point no doubt. (4) An agate, (4) . 23. Weary. (4) 24. It makes me rely on one word.
- It provides sale storage, (6-3) Rosto in the hale as an adorn-
- ment. (6) Porms of decorum. (9)
  -He has been called Jack, (5)
- Depart in hasto. (4) Bee B. Across. One who gives his name to some-
- 13. Seventh and last of the Imams.
- (0) 16. Rays. (4) West: (3) it has one of the world's most begutiful gardens. (8)

SCIENCE AT WORK:

DUMB-BELLS
MIENT OFFICE

Check Your

Knowledge

2. For whom was the city of

3. Where is the Giant's Causa-

4. Name the three largest nations

5. What was the former name of

6. Is coral plant or animal life?

(Answers on Column 4)

BY MAX TRELL

66ThiD I ever tell you the story,"

Mr Punch said, "about how

Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-

children with the turned-about

names, who were sliting on the arms

heads and said they had never heard

Mr Punch lit his pipe. "Well," he

began, "Grump was a grown bull-

frog who lived down at the edge of

good-natured. fellow and everyone

liked him very much. The whip-

poor-wills liked him. The cows

liked him. The grasshoppers and

crickets, the beetles and the smalls,

"But though all his neighbours

were so very fond of him, there was

one thing about him that they all

"What was that?" Hanid asked

Harsh Voice

"His voice:" replied Mr Punch.

and grumplest voice that anyone

worse, he used that voice every

"You mean he sang all night?"

Punch. "No sooner did the sun set

pulpit, right near the edge of the

swamp and began to sing. And he

Rupert and Margot-16

The two pals run into the little

house, where Rupert gazes around

in wonder. "I do believe the whole

place is made of wood," he says.

"If it wasn't so big it might be a

doll's house. It's much too small

for grown-ups to live in, but it's all

right for eas. Look at those chairs; they're that our sixe! Margot laughs happily. "Can you be sur-

prised that I was so excited about

it?" she asks. "It's tremendous

fun pretending that it all belongs

ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

to me l'

agreed they didn't like."

all liked him.

Mr Punch.

Knorf said.

Grump the Frog Made His Voice

BOYS', AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Story About Grump the Frog

-Mr. Punch Told It to the Shadows-

Praha, capital of Czechoslovakla?

modern chemistry?

Leningrad named?

(in area) in the world.

Who is known as the father of

MOULP YOU' LIKE TO !

REFRIGERATING

PLANT?

SEE OUR

ID LOVE

BOTANY

FAVORIT

TO -

#### NO CERTAINTY ABOUT WHAT CAUSES HUNGER

By PAUL F. ELLIS

A FTER all the years, science still his faced with the mystery of why a hungry man feels that way.

According to Dr Edward M. Scott, of the University of Pittsburgh, hunger can be defined as: "The physiological and psychological state produced by inadequate

Its symptoms, Dr Scott has reported to the Pittsburgh section of the American Chemical Society, can be described as:

"A rather indefinite state of physical restlessness accompanied by a more or less vaguely unpleasant subjective feeling."

But the mystery of how symptoms are produced still re-mains, he points out. Dr Scott believes that the exact

cause of the hunger state

probably unknown." "It has been proposed as resulting from empliness of the stomach as a result of the low level of blood augar, but neither of those explanations is entirely satisfactory," he

state is relieved when a food or combination of foods which gives adequate satisfaction is given.".

Gromp sang all night.

didn't stop singing until the sun rose

again in the morning. Now other

creatures used to sing all night too.

The whip-poor-wills sang. The

crickets sang. The knty-dids sang.

everyone for miles around looked

"When Grump sang, however,

"What did he do?" Knorf and

wonderful idea. "If I could eat

something sweet,' he said to himself,

'I'm sure it would make my singing

sweeter. So that night, he hopped

around, looking for something sweet

to eat. First he ate some sweet

peas. But that didn't improve his

thing; they were no help. His voice

Honey Helps

that was really sweet. He found a

great lump of honey. And that

really worked!" exclaimed Mr

"But finally 'he found something.

"Did it really make his voice

"Not that, exactly," said Mr

Punch. "But it worked out just as

well. The honey was so sticky and

Grump ate so much of it and liked

remained the same as ever.

sweeter?" Hankl niked.

But no one minded them!

at everyone else and sald:

Hanid asked.

Punch.

Hunger, according to Dr. Scott, appears not to lead directly to enting, but rather to a desire to sup-press, its distressing symptoms. He said that desires for food and for specific foods are appetites, which he characterised as "probably the result of a learning process, and only indirectly the result- of

Personal tastes to satisfy the aphealth, the doctor said. Rather, he said, the diet should be based on nutritional needs.

"Our conclusion," he said, "Is that while in certain cases, reliance on appetites may be led to adequate nutrition there is ample evidence that such reliance will not guarantee good nutrition.

"The short cut to good nutrition flood of forged notes which is the prescription of diet on the basis of known nutritional needs, and this path should be followed rule that any boy using a pack rather than trusting to devious likes and dislikes of the individual."

#### Shorts in Science

Dr Karl Habel, of the U.S. "We know only that the hunger National Institute of Health, reports that "very encouraging results" have

identify the common cold virus. .....The RCA announces the development of an electronic device capable of translating mechanical vibration into audible or visual signals. Detection of defects in neroplane construction is one of the chairman of the accelerator project into mischief. at Brookhaven National Laboratory. He succeeds Dr M. Stanley Llyingston, who was on leave from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

(Tomorrow-Book Parade).

#### CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE Answers

Prague. 6. Animal.

### BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

An owl, trapped in an attic, in-jured a man before it was caught. After being treated, under chloroform, for a slight wound, he became tame, and pave regular hoots like a

(News item.)

THE owl walked away A absent-mindedly in th man's bowler, remarking, don't give a hoot," and adding with a sardonic grin, "But he

#### Narkover

66 TOO much money chasing too many boobs." In these words Dr Smart-Allick broke a long alcoholic silence, to comment on the of cards with more than aix aces in it will have to hand it over to the headmaster, within h week. boy," said the Doctor, "who can't manage with one are more than the normal allowance per pack deserves to lose, and lose heavily."

Many people have asked me how been obtained in the search to it is that the Narkover term seems to be going on while all other schools are on holiday. The answer is rather painfully simple. So many. parents are either serving terms of imprisonment or temporarily in hiding that it has seemed to 'Dr Smart-Allick to be more humane to possible uses of the new device. keep them at school, at a slightly .....Dr Milton G. White, of Prince- raised fee, than to send them to ton University, has been appointed lonely homes, where they might get

#### Fun in Paris

WITHATEVER. the United Nations YY Educational, Scientific and Cultural' Organisation (with which is incorporated Mrs Weaver's Upward Urgers) has done or not done, it has obtained from a special body of "social scientists" the following statement, the fruit of laborious research. The problem of peace is the 1. Robert Boyle, English chemist. problem of keeping group and na-Lenin, who established the Soviet | tional tensions and aggressions with-Republic. 3. It is made up of 40,000 in manageable proportions. They columns of baselt rock rising from a did their pleasant work in Paris, so bay at the northern tip of Ireland, it is no wonder that they recom-4. Russia, China and Canada. 5. mend further "adequately financed

### YOUR

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14:

DORN today, you are wilful, you believe that in addition, one D - aggressive and independent in must have cultural and intellectual both thought and action. But these excellence to really achieve a fine qualities are mollifled by a love of goal. You have the ability to instil "Well." Mr Punch went on, "final- humanity and a desire to be of help, confidence, hope and inspiration in ly Beetle, Cricket, Snall and to those less fortunate than your- others and would make an excellent Chipmunk went to see Grump down self. As a propagandist or pro- leader for the young since you "His voice," replied Mr guidest, at the swamp. 'Grump,' they said, ponent of social reform, there can be effectively combine idealism with we're sorry to have to tell you this, no more ardent backer. However, practical accomplishment. and grumplest voice make matters but we'd all like very much if you'd you do not only preach good-you ever heard. And to make matters but we'd all like very much if you'd you do not only preach good-you do something to make your singing put it into practice.

Although your circle of acquaintances will be large, your close intimate friends may be very few. You have good business sense, but "At first, he didn't know," sald you are not much interested in Mr Punch. "It's not such an easy money-making unless it should en-

thing to do; to make your singing able you to contribute to the good

comfortably under the jack-in-the- sweeter. But all at once he got a of others. While "putting your best foot for- ponding paragraph. Let your birthward" is almost a creed with you, day star be your daily guide.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. voice. Then he ate some sweet 22)-Pleasant social contacts may Intuitions may be exceptionally keen pointoes. They didn't help either, increase business prospects. Mem- today, so heed them if you want Then he ate some flowers called bers of the fair sex bring you bene- the best results from today's efforts. Sweet William. It was the same fits.

> near a high peak. Postpone new major matters, if you can. plans, however.

The influence of a member of the news to you or benefit your efforts fair sex can have beneficial effects through co-operation. on your entire future.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)-Public commodities are active. Consider any new plan very carefully before committing yourself to pro-

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20) it so well, that it seemed to him a Shipping and chemicals are two of waste of time to do any more singing the fields which are favoured today. at all. So, from that moment on, It concerned, act accordingly.

Phe spent all his time hunting for and cating honey. And he never TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) Stick to routine. If two ideas are sang agair, and everyone agreed Being too critical of your associates competing postpone definite decision there's nothing sweeter that could either in business" or socially, will until another day. Consider all have happened to Grump the Frog." bring unfortunate results.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)

Your own home and family are

very dear to you and you will make

sacrifices for their good. Make sure

that in marriage you select someone

who thoroughly understands your

To find what the stars have in

store for tomorrow, select your

birthday star and read the corres-

rather complex nature.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)-OAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20) - Energy can overcome minor diffi-If connected with merchandising, culties if your judgment remains remember that selling and buying is unimpaired. Postpone decisions on LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Members

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) - of the opposite sex may bring good

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)-A short trip if in prospect may be good, especially if closely connected with some artistic effort.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)---Improvements begin to show, but still exert tact with older persons involved in mutual business dealings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)angles carefully.

By Fred Harman

#### RED RYDER

about doc cold, red

chief birdfeather

was really sick and

HIS STUFF EXAMINED



Trouble Ahead





### CzechoslovakiaSeeks More Cotton

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Prague, Dec. 13.—The 45,000 tons of cotton promised by Russia to Czechoslovakla in 1949, will fill only one tenth of the country's milling capacity and more cotton is being sought in the United States, Egypt and India.

Ladislav Kalina, deputy, general, manager of the nationalised textile industry, "Centrotex," said today that there were also hopes of getting cotton from Brazil,

He returned on Saturday from grown from American seed planted Moscow, with a £22,500,000 textile in Turkestan is in "middling" and import/export agreement with Rus- strict middling"; grades. He would sin claimed to be "the greatest not state the price paid, but said that textile trade pact in history."

M. Kalina said that the cotton

## STILL MORE **IMPROVEMENT**

New York, Doc. 13,-Standard rubber futures today closed 5 to 25 points higher on sales totalling

37 points higher on sales totalling Moscow. 52 contracts.

The market was quiet and steady. affected by firmness at London and Singapore and the paucity and high recent efforts in the United States. prices of the offenings from the

Prices closed as follow:-	
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May	18.75
June	18.70
July	
August	18.00
September	18.85
October	18,50
November '	18.45
December	18.40
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No. 1 Rubber.	19.15 traded .
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October	18.65
November	18.00

December 18.55 January (1950) ..... 18.50 February 18.45 —United Press. LONDON MARKET London, Dec. 13.-Prices in the rubber market here today closed as follow:-per lb.) ..... 11-7/16

April/June 11-1/16
July/September 11-1/16
—United Press.

### HONGKONG SHARES

change this morning was \$267,000. Transactions and noon prices follow: BHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES	Russians. "The Government has not yet announced that a treaty has been signed," a spokesman at the Embassy said, "but we in Paris cannot deny
BANKS HK Bank	the possibility of it already being
HK Bank 10 @ 1800	signed."-Associated Press.
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#### NEW YORK METAL MARKET

New York. Dec. 13.—The following prices were quoted in the metal market Antimony, (American 90-16)

percent) in bulk of carload lots, F.O.B. Texas US\$0.385 Tin, Grade "A" (99.8 percent or higher) " ....... Tungaten, powdered, (98.9 · percent) (Chinese ore Wolframite Tungsten duty paid containing Tricxide) F.O.D. New York, per short ton 24.10/24.50 Iron ore, (5-15 percent Iron) delivered lower port Lake Superior, per Copper (Electrolytic, Export) F.A.B. New York. 23-16 cents per lb. . (Prime Western. New York) per 1b. .... Manganese (Electrolytic, 18.15 cents

00.9 percent Manganese) delivered east of Missis-The following prices were Lead F.O.B. per ton (heavy

33.60/39.00

-United Press.

Steel F.O.D. per ton (No. 1 ....

Business was done in the local official exchange market this morning at the following rates:
Sterling pound note (per £1) ..... 14.70 Gold bars (per tael) 301.00 FIC plastres (per 100) 77.00 Siam tickle (per 100) 85.50

it was lower than American prices, and the cost of transport is not the only basis for the statement. "People: in the trade in , the

United States are pretty well aware of what we must have paid," he "We are getting 25 to 20 count cotton now from the Soviet Union and India, 30 to 34 from the U.S. and middling above 34 from Soviet

Russia. We are dealing now with

Egypt for the very long Karnak

"One of our representatives is now in the United States to buy cotton. He went at the same time as I went to Russin, and I hope he is us successful as I believe I was in

"We still hope that the United States will restore the cotton loan fund it withdrew last year. Our I thay say, were weak, maybe the situation has changed after elections."

M. Kalina sald Czechoslovakia's milling capacity was ten times the 300,000,000 metres of textiles it can produce from Russia's 45,000 tons. . "We can still use plenty from the rest of the world," he said.

He did not know how long the Soviet cotton had been grown from American seed in Turkestan but he relterated the statement of a Prague wireless commentator that it would provide a substitute for American cotton.—Associated Press.

#### U.S. COTTON DEARER

Manchester: Dec. 13.—The Raw Cotton Commission today, announced that the price of American cotton sold to British spinners after, Monday would be raised by a half-penny per pound to 22.50 pence. This is the second increase in seven weeks-United Press.

### Italo-Soviet Trade Pact Reported

Paris, Dec. 13,-Italian official circles in Paris today confirmed that an Italian Commission has been in Moscow for severial days working on a commercial agreement with the

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Argentine Peso (Official) . US\$0.2977 Argentine Peso (Unofficial) .2091 Australia England ....... New Zealand Perus la distribuir de la constitución de la consti Portugal South Africa Switzerland .......... Uruguay ...... Venezuela Netherlands ....... Batavia Singapore ................ Hongkong ...... -United Press.

pound note was quoted in the unomclal market here today at . US\$3.15,--United Press.

### **QUOTATIONS** Pley York, Dec. 13.

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#### BRISTLES Bristles, F.O.B. New York ber the as

follow:--Hankow, regular amort-Chungking, regular age sortments 2.88 Bhanshai, regular as 2.60 Boriments 2.60 Tientsin, 26's shorts 6.60 Tientain, 20's regular 10.80/11.00

POUND NOTE York, Dec. 13,-The British CHINA PRODUCE

## Hiss Gives Up \$20,000 Job As Grand Jury Investigate Red Spy Ring Charges

New York, Dec. 13.—Alger Hiss, adviser to President Roosevelt at the Yalta conference, gave up his US\$20,000 a year job as President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace today while a Grand Jury investigated charges that he had

aided a Communist spy ring.

Hiss offered his resignation at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Endowment today. The Directors adopted a resolution that no action be taken on the resignation at this time, except for Hiss to take a three-month leave of absence. Dr James T. Shotwell was appointed acting President.

Hiss' action in stepping out of the job he took over in 1946 from the late Nicholas Murray Butler was a late development in his dispute with Whittaker Chambers over whether Hiss was a Communist while he was employed by the United States State Department.

his US\$30,000 a year position as Hiss was a State Department policysenior editor of Time magazine be- maker at the time and Miss Lincoln cause of the controversy.

Meanwhile, the Grand Jury placed Representative Richard Nixon under Committee said spy investigators a subpoena today, but Mr Nixon an- had found new evidence that may nounced that he had no intention of identify the typewriter on which giving up the microfilms of some 200 stolen State Department documents stolen secret Government papers.

give up the films. I have to retain Mr Mundt sald his Committee did physical possession of the films. They not have the typewriter itself, are the property of the House of Representatives."

PARRIES QUESTIONS

the House Committee on Un-American Activities, came here to show the jury the films at their request. He said he planned to return to Washington tonight with

A newsman asked: "Were you asked to give them up?" "No comment," answered Mr

Why were you placed under subpoena?" asked another news-

"Just guess and you'll be right." This was the latest incident in the feud between the House Committee and the Justice Department in their twin probes of pre-war Communist espionage in this coun-

With its subpoena, the Grand Jury speeded up its investigation since the Jury's life must end, under the law, by Thursday midnight; It is hearing now evidence by Whit-

taker Chambers and Alger Hiss, Hiss, on hand for questioning by the Jury today, was asked to comment on the Carnegie Endowment protect Americanism." - United Board's action regarding his re- Press. gignation.

"I think the attitude of my trustees has been splendid throughout," he said. HISS'S LETTER

The Endowment was founded in 1910 by the steel magnate, Andrew Carnegle, with a gift of US\$10,000,000 "to hasten the abolition of interna-

tional wars". denials. It is now/apparent thus investigations and legal proceedings that resulted in these charges and the preparation therefore will occupy almost all my time for some weeks to come. Because of these facts and to eliminate any possible embarrassment to the Endowment from my continued connection with it, I hereby tender my resignation as trustee and as President of the Endowment."-United Press.

"PUMPKIN PAPERS" Washington, Dec. 13.-House m- a Soviet military mission. vestigators today said they might

detector tests to find out who passed secret papers to ex-Communist Chamber that Whittaker Chambers.

presentative Karl Mundt, said his Reuter. Committee might ask Chambers, and Alger Hiss and his brother Donald to submit to tests. He added that the Committee may reach a decision "within a day or two." Mr Mundt also disclosed that

House spy hunters had learned that only four State Department em-

B. Sayre, Alger, Hiss, Eunice A. 12.10 a.m. today-United Press.

Chambers resigned last week from | Lincoln and Anna Belle Newcomb. was his secretary. Miss Newcomb

was Mr Sayre's secretary. Meanwhile, sources close to the were copied for an alleged Com-He declared: "I am not going to munist spy ring back in 1937-38

INTERESTING CLUES

He added: "But we have some very interesting clues to it. Representative Nixon, member of always have had one letter which we knew that Mrs Hiss wrote. But we don't know whether it was typed in her home or somewhere

Chambers has charged that Hiss spirited stolen documents out of the State Department and took them home for his wife to copy.

Meanwhile, the retiring House Speaker, Representative Joseph Martin, predicted that any attempt in the new Congress to terminate the Un-American Activities Committee would end in failure. He urged full publicity on Chambers' "Pumpkin Papers."

Mr Martin's defence of the Un-American Activities Committee was prompted by a weekend announcement by Representative Walter Huber that he would seek to replace the group with a joint Senate-House Committee to investigate all subversive activities. He said the people were "too concerned" with the threat of Communism to let that happen. He added that they wanted n "live, intelligent Committee which will fearlessly, honestly and fairly

### "MALIGNANT LIBEL"

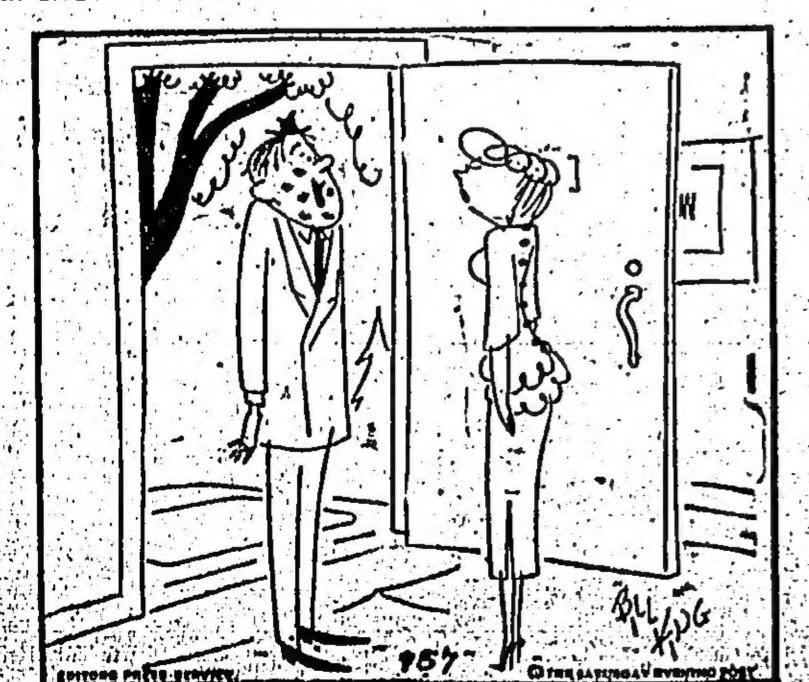
Hiss's letter to the Endowment a protest note today, denied an by India. said: "You - are familiar with the allegation by the Italian Minister. There was -no indication when very serious charges which have Count Carlo Sforza that its army been made against me and with my | was 25,000 more . than permitted under the peace treaty. Hungary called this "a malignant libel." The note, handed to the Italian Ambassador, said that Sforza told the Chamber of Deputies in Rome on December 3 that Hungary's

army now numbered 85,000. below this number," and called for | Soviet zone: "rectification" of Sforza's statement. A Foreign Ministry statement denied that the Hungarian Army

Somardzev and a military mission i The acting Chairman of the Un- of 120 Soviet officers "presided" American Activities Committee Ro- over". Hungary's rearmament.)-

#### Woman Dies After-Brutal Assault

Guum, Dec. 13.-The Navy headquarters today announced that ployees had had access to the secret attractive Miss Ruth Farnsworth, documents which 'Chambers pro- 27-year-old Navy civilian employee who was kidnapped and raped by an He named the four as the former unknown assailant here on Saturday Assistant Secretary of State, Francis night, died in an Army hospital at



"Guess who I ran into today, dear."

### 5-Days-Old Loses Teeth



A doctor and nurse are pictured as they remove two teeth from the gums of Robert Frank Toth, five-days-old, at City Hospital, Akron, Ohio. The teeth were discovered by his mother, Mrs John Toth, Jr., the day after baby was born.—AP Picture.

### TENSION EASES SAYS EVATT

### International Temperature Not Yet Normal

Paris, Dec. 13.—Dr Herbert V. Evatt, president of the United Nations Assembly, said on Monday that international tension has eased as a result of the Assembly session which ended on Sunday. temperature is not yet normal," the Australian Minister for External Affairs told newsmen, "but the fever has abated."

Dr Evatt gave his views as delegates dispersed for their home countries after the 12 week meeting. Only representatives of the 11 Security Council members remained here for further meetings.

The Security Council was handed a red hot issue on Monday when the American-sponsored Li Republic of Korea applied for UN membership. The Assembly voted its approval of the new government of Korea. which has its headquarters in Seoul, just before it adjourned. The vote was 48-6 with the Russian bloc alone opposing it.

Russia is expected to oppose and |

of Israel and Ceylon and to consider Mark to discuss membership applications Budapest, Dec. 13.—Hungary, in the question of Hyderabad's seizure

Korea's application might come up. A United States spokesman said the American delegate would support the Republic's membership bid. Russia, in control of Northern Korea, has opposed recognition of the Southern Korean Government set up by UN-supervised elections

ACTION DEFERRED

Ceylon's application has been agreed. veloed once by Russia, but the As-

cil reconsider it. continuance of the Assembly in Eastern marks. New York, instead of adjourning until next fall, will "be a further. The Lord Mayor said he had

war, and the. United Nations with 6,000 tons daily as at present. tively in the drive boward the mak- tion," he said, ing of peace in relation to Germany

and Austria. "And it would be a tremendous mistake to neglect the Far East and the Pacific where the present

crisis is so neule. "The General Assembly has had some outstanding successes in this session on the economic side and any failure to reach satisfactory docisions on political issues has been due nimost exclusively to great power disputes and disputations. Associated Press.

### HIGHER SALARIES

Truman asked Congress today to into a Trisectoria" by abolishing the raise the salaries of cabinet officers sector boundaries.

# bership application. The Council meets on Wednesday Want Western

### Request By Germans

Berlin, Dec. 18.—The British, last spring. A Communist-dominated American and French Military Hungary said the army was "far regime has been established in the Commandants in Berlin have discussed German demands for use of the Western Deutsche The Council last, week deferred mark as the sole legal currency would be trained and supervised by membership. Some members said in their sectors of the city, Prothey wanted to wait until the As- fessor Ernst Reuter, the "West-The Hungarian Government has sembly acted on the Palestine po- ern" Lord Mayor, stated today. ask key figures in the "Pumpkin exclusive and complete control over littical question. The Assembly last Professor Reuter said he had Papers" Red spy case to take lie its armed forces, the statement sald. Saturday set up a three-nation Con- talked this over with the Comman-(Count Sforza told the Italian ciliation Commission made up of the dants since taking office last Tues-Soviet General United States, France and Turkey. day, but would not say if they had

rembly recommended that the Coun-At present both Eastern and Western -marks circulate in If any of the applications are Western sectors and rationed goods approved by the Council they will may be purchased with Eastern go before the Assembly next April marks at parity, although on the I when it reconvenes in New York. open market one Western mark may Dr Evatt expressed belief that the be exchanged for nearly four

safeguard against big power grounds for believing that 8,000 differences drifting into war." tons of supplies would be coming "It is certain," he said, "that the into Berlin daily over the airlift in peoples of the world don't want the next few weeks, compared to all its limitations is the best if not . "Even this is not enough, but it the only means of assisting post- will considerably improve our post-

#### EXPERTS RELUCTANT

Professor Reuter said the introduction of the Western mark as the sold currency for the Western sectors of Berlin would not complicate the final solution of the Berlin prob-

Western financial experts have been very reluctant to agree to repeated German demands for this step as they feel that it would complicate the city's position still fur-

Professor Reuter forecast that a three-power Allied Kommandatura

The President made his recont mendations through Mr James E three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power basis did not constitute the Criminal Court trying three men, three power will be including Chalso Prattigues of murdering King Ananda 15th December 1948.

In his bedroom three years ago.

Reuter Reuter

### May Be Stimulant To Reds

#### **Dutch Decision To** Stop Indonesia Negotiations

London, Dec. 13. - The Netherlands Government's decision on Saturday to suspend negotiations with the Indonesian Republic hamper the combined efforts of interested governments, Communism in South East BLACKMAIL Asia, it was believed in diplomatic quarters in London tonight:

It is believed the Dutch action came as something of a surprise to London. It is felt that if an Interim Government is formed without the Republic in January, there may be some form of violent renction by the more extremist and irresponsible elements among the Republicans.

far-reaching question of whother the Communists operating in the territory of the Republic may not money could be "extracted." gain renewed strength from the present breakdown in relations It was reported from Batavia today that, according to Aniara, the ! Indonesian news agency, political

circles at Jogiakarta, the Republican capital, consider the Dutch accusation of truce-breaking to be 'an excuse to justify a second military action." Indonesian circles said that as the Dutch would not be prepared to resume the negotiations the Republic felt, that it could now behave as an

independent and sovereign State

and should seek recognition, es-

pecially by its Asiatic neighbours.— MAY AFFECT AID

The Netherlands decision establish an Interim Federal Go-Republicans might affect! The Netherlands' share of Marshall aid. It was suggested that the United States had been "quietly but steadily been called.—Associated Press. interfering" in Indonesia by en-couraging Indonesian Republican demands and criticising Dutch attitude. As increase trouble in Indonesia would interfere with Holland's own recovery programme, any policy which would cause fighting might induce America to limit or curtail economic help to the Dutch, political

quarters thought. or at least make it difficult for the Bulwark. cision even though other nations shippard. returns to Holland.

yet certain how much support these power.-Reuter. would give for further police or military action against the Indo-

tion could be established by January but in practice serious obstacles may arise from both the Federalists and the Republicans.

Some Federalists have stated that they would not work without the co-operation of the Republican Prime Minister, Dr Mohammed Hatta. The Dutch believe that even if Dr Hatta were willing to co-operate he cannot control his forces and the

tinue the struggle.-Reuter. **FILIPINOS** 

extremists might force him to con-

### LEAVING S'HAI

Shanghal, Dec. 14.—Between 200 and 250 local Fllipinos, mostly women, children and older men, will leave on the\_last :evacuation ship sponsored by the Philippine Government, Senor Mariano Ezpelota, the Philippine Consul-General here, revealed last night.

The evacuation ship is the LST 843, which is expected here this week. The evacuation of this group will leave about 100 to 160 Filipinos The Consul General has urged all his nationals to take advantage of this last: ship as they will be permitted to take with them. all their belongings except furniture. The boat may first proceed to

Tsingtao to take on some 50 passengers there and will then comehere for other evacuees, Senor Expeleta stated. The Consul General also revealed that many Spanlards and the Portuguese. Residents Association had requested passage on this ship, the Spaniards for Manila and the Portuguese for Macao -

#### SIAM'S DEPUTY C-IN-C FINED

Bangkok, Dec. 13.—Slam's Army Deputy Commander-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General Luang Kach Songkrmml, was today found gullty of RECOMMENDED would soon be set up in the Western ticals (about £3.5.0) for accusing sectors. He appealed to the allies the late King Ananda's secretary, to change the three Western sectors The editor and publisher of a

increase the salaties of other high Professor Reuter said that the newspaper which printed the charge officials.

#### POCKET CARTOON



## TERRORISTS' LIST FOUND

Acre, Dec. 13 .-- A Military Court trying two leaders of the former Stern Gang on charges of belonging to an outlawed terrorist organisation heard or Monday that a document alleged to have been found at a Stern Observers pointed to the more camp contained a list of 178 rich Jerusalem Jews from whom

The document, read in court by the prosecutor, gave personal details of the Jews mentioned and contained instructions as to when force and robbery should be used in cases of refusal to pay.

The two accused are Nathan Friedmann Yellin and Matetyahu Shmulowitz. The organisation, which took the name "Lehy" after Britain surrendered her Palestine Mandate, was outlawed by the Jewish Provisional Government after Count Folke. Bernadotte, UN Palestine mediator, was assassinated.

After Yellin'had claimed that 'In correspondence the government had dealt with the organisation as a The Hague, Dec. 13.—Dutch poll- legal party, the court refused tical sources said today they thought defence, plea that there was no to case to answer. The court decided that the Government has the legal vernment in Indonesia without the right to outlaw any group of persons as terrorists.

The prosecutions case concluded on Monday after 24 witnesses had

#### NEW CARRIER TO REMAIN SECRET

Belfast, Dec. 13.—An official of the Belfast shipbuilders, Harland They believed that America might and Wolff Limited said today that encourage the Indonesians in any the British Admiralty has banned continued struggle for independence details of the new aircraft carrier

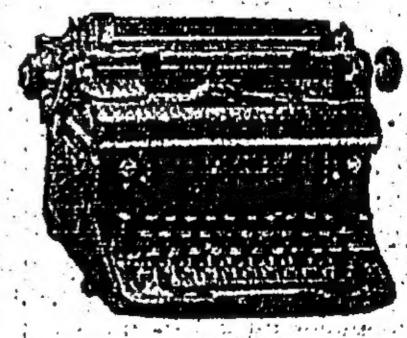
Dutch to clear up the situation. It | On Admiralty orders the tonnage is considered that the Dutch Gov- and engine power of the carrier, ornment is prepared to accept the launched last June, were omitted consequences of its Indonesian de- from the annual returns of the

disapprove and more austere living The Bulwark has been officially described as a sister ship of the light fleet carrier Centaur, launched JUST PUBLISHED! New edition of SUPPORT FOR GOVT. at Belfast last year. The Centaur's Weights and Measurements of Cargo ex-Most of the Dutch appear to sup- tonnage was then given as 26,000 port the Government but it is not and her rating 83,000 initial horse

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